

CREATED, SAVED AND GIFTED BY GOD  
WE ARE CALLED TO SEEK,  
SERVE AND SHARE JESUS CHRIST



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**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**APRIL 3, 2005 - 8:30 AM**

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## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

*In today's gospel reading, the risen Christ appears to the disciples who have locked themselves into a house. In the midst of their fear he offers his peace so that they might go forth to proclaim God's victory over death. In this Sunday liturgy, Christ offers us his peace anew as we prepare to come to the table where he gives us his body and blood. As we receive the bread and cup he says, Do not doubt but believe that I am with you. He sends us forth to be his peacemakers in a community and a world locked in by fear and injustice.*

**April 3, 2005**

**8:30 am Worship**

### **Whose Resurrection Is It?**

It is not just Jesus who gets his life back on Easter. On Easter evening, the frightened, grief-stricken, locked away disciples get Jesus back, and through his presence and his words to them, they get their own lives back as well. "Peace be with you," he says.

Thomas misses all this. The others say to him, "We have seen the Lord." Yet Thomas can only visualize something else: all those puncture wounds.

The horrible has a way of pushing everything else out of our consciousness. When we are going through something dreadful, it is nearly always the only thing we can think about. It is all we can picture.

Thomas knows what happened to Jesus on Good Friday. It is easy to imagine that when Thomas closes his eyes, he sees Jesus as he last saw him. Thomas sees the cross, the nails, the body writhing there for hours and then horribly still. Thomas sees this, knows it, believes it in his bones. Whether he wants to believe something else is beside the point. He knows what he saw.

Yet, in spite of what Thomas has seen and regardless of what Thomas believes, Jesus is alive. He is alive, which means he is able to get to Thomas—and to us—no matter what horrors of the past rise up behind our eyelids. Just as Jesus found a way through those locked doors on Easter evening, so one week later, he finds a way to pry open the grip that Good Friday has on his friend, Thomas.

What's more, when Jesus says, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe," he is promising that Thomas is not the last to get his life back as a result of Jesus' resurrection. Jesus is still alive, and still finding ways to welcome his own into a future that our past had given us no reason to expect.

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# DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME

by David Haas

## PRELUDE

*Easter Hymn*

(arr. by Paul Manz)

## GATHERING SONGS

90 (purple songbook)  
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*Lord I Lift Your Name on High*  
*All Heaven Declares*

## WELCOME / SHARING THE PEACE

Pastor Prochaska

## GATHERING

\*\* **SONG** 139 LBW (green hymnal) (vs. 4-8)

*O Sons and Daughters*

## \*\* GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## \*\* KYRIE (sung)

Assistant: In peace, in peace,

**Refrain**

*Assistant:* *Congregation:*

Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have

mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

*to Verses*

Assistant: For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of  
all... (to Refrain)

Assistant: For your people, here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to  
live your Word... (to Refrain)

*Assistant:*



Help, save and de - fend us, O

*Congregation:*



God. A - - - men.

**\*\* THIS IS THE FEAST (sung)**

**Refrain**



☐ This is the feast! Come and cel - e - brate the




vic - t'ry for our God! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

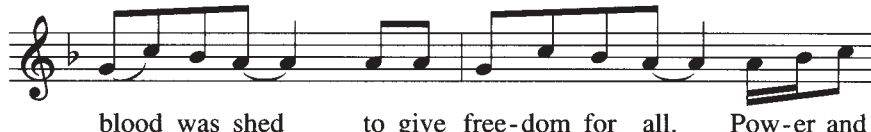


lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! This is the feast!


**Verse 1**



☐ 1. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb once slain, whose



blood was shed to give free - dom for all. Pow - er and



rich - es, wis - dom and strength,

*To Refrain*  
hon-or and bless-ing; come give glo-ry to Christ! Yes,

**Verse 2**  
2. Sing out with joy, all peo-ple of God!

Join in the song of cre - a - tion! Bless-ing and

hon - or, glo - ry and might to

*To Refrain*  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er more! Yes,

**Verse 3**  
I + II 3. This is the feast for praise and re - joic - ing,

for the Lamb, the one who was slain, will come

forth now and be - gin God's reign!

*To Refrain*  
Sing all you peo - ple, sing Al-le-lu-ia! Yes,

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the festival of our Lord's resurrection. Graciously help us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**GATHERING OF PRAYERS** / Collecting of Green / Gold Cards

Pastor Prochaska

## WORD

**FIRST READING**

**Acts 2:14a, 22-32**

**PSALM** (spoken)

**Psalms 16**

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;  
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

**<sup>2</sup>All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people.**

<sup>3</sup>But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.

**<sup>4</sup>Their libations of blood I will not offer,  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.**

<sup>5</sup>O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;  
it is you who uphold my lot.

**<sup>6</sup>My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.**

<sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me night after night.

**<sup>8</sup>I have set the LORD always before me;  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall.**

<sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;  
my body also shall rest in hope.

**<sup>10</sup>For you will not abandon me to the grave,  
nor let your holy one see the pit.**

<sup>11</sup>You will show me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**SECOND READING**

**I Peter 1:3-9**

\*\* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** 671 WOV (blue hymnal) (vs. 2) *Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks*

\*\* **HOLY GOSPEL**

**John 20:19-31**

**SERMON**

My Lord and My God

Pastor Prochaska

\*\* **SONG** 675 WOV (blue hymnal)

*We Walk By Faith*

\*\* **NICENE CREED** (spoken)

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope we 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;  
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** (spoken)

## MEAL

### PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

*The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared.*

### OFFERTORY

*Easter Song*

(Herring)

#### \*\* GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 God thanks and praise.**

#### \*\* PROPER PREFACE (spoken by the Pastor)

It is indeed right and good... join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. 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, ho -  
san - na in the high - est!

**\*\* COMMUNION PRAYER** Holy God, holy and living One... we sing the mystery of our faith.

Christ has died. Christ  
is risen. Christ will come,  
Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit... now and forever.

A - men, A - men,  
Al - le - lu - ia! A - men,  
\*A - men.  
A - men!

**\*\* LORD'S PRAYER** (spoken) (Personal option - holding hands)

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

**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.**

**HOLY COMMUNION** -- Receiving the Lord's tangible presence

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. The communicant may say: **Amen.**


*We invite everyone to come forward for Holy Communion.*

**8:30 am** -- Communion Shared Around the Altar.

**11:00 am** -- Communion Shared in Front of the Communion Rail.

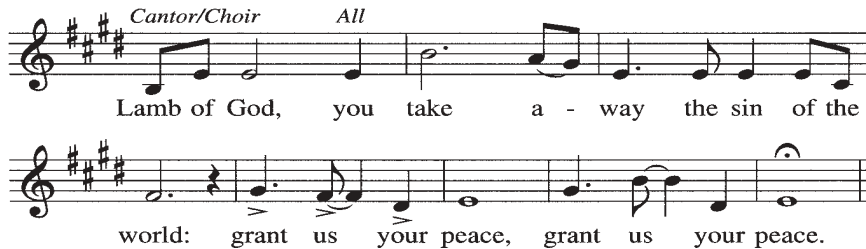
**LAMB OF GOD** (sung as communion assistants come forward) (congregation seated)

*Cantor/Choir All*



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

*Cantor/Choir All*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

129 (purple songbook)  
106 (purple songbook)  
21 (purple songbook)

*Spirit of the Living God  
Now We Remain  
Blessing, Honor, Glory*

**\*\* POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** (spoken)

Let us pray.

We have tasted your goodness, O God, in your gifts of Word and Sacrament. May our hearts burn within us, that we may proclaim your mighty acts and joyfully live as your chosen people; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**\*\* BLESSING** (spoken)

The God of all grace, who has called you to eternal glory in Christ, + restore, support, and strengthen you through the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**\*\* SONG** 143 LBW (green hymnal)

*Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

**DISMISSAL** (spoken)

Go in peace. Serve the risen Christ.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

# All Heaven Declares

Words and Music by  
Noel Richards and Tricia Richards

A C#m7 D E D/A A

1. All heav'n de - clares the glo - ry of \_\_\_ the ris - en Lord.  
2. I will pro - claim the glo - ry of \_\_\_ the ris - en Lord.

5 C#m7 D E D/A A

Who can com - pare with the beau - ty of the Lord?  
Who once was slain to rec - on - cile \_\_\_ man to God.

9 A A/C# D D/E E A E/G#

For - ev - er He \_\_\_ will be the Lamb up - on \_\_\_ the throne, \_\_\_  
For - ev - er You \_\_\_ will be the Lamb up - on \_\_\_ the throne, \_\_\_

13 F#m A/C# D D/E E7 A D/A A

I glad - ly bow \_\_\_ the knee and wor - ship Him \_\_\_ a - lone.  
I glad - ly bow \_\_\_ the knee and wor - ship You \_\_\_ a - lone.

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**O LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER**

Praise & Thanksgiving to God For  
The people and friends of Good Shepherd  
Cathy & Dan Smith, missionaries in Tanzania  
Bishop Mark S. Hanson, Presiding Bishop, ELCA, Chicago  
Bishop Callon W. Halloway Jr., Bishop Southern Ohio Synod, ELCA, Columbus  
Companion Synods: East of Lake Victoria Diocese, Tanzania, East Africa  
and Evangelical Church of Mecklenburg, Germany

**GOD'S PRESENCE & STRENGTH FOR**

Milan Filcik	Jay, who has cancer
Hazel Reel	Remember in prayer the family of Dick Caton who died Sunday, March 20, funeral was held March 29
Ruth Lackey	John O'Neal
Hannah Pressnell & Captive Free West Lakes Team	Randy Wright
Darren	Jerry, who has cancer
Lygia Harrison	Monica Benbow & her family
Naomi Oehrtman, at Bethany Rehab	Randy Wright & his family
Harold DeVilbiss, who began chemotherapy on March 4	Kim, a young mother, who has brain cancer
Sharon, who has cancer	Dick Krewson, Maxine Yike's cousin, who is hospitalized with pneumonia and a heart attack
Mary Campbell, co-worker of Paula Bennett, on her daughter's hospitalization	
Alistair Jacques, colleague of Rob Blackburn, whose is hospitalized	

**April 3, 2005 – The Second Sunday of Easter**  
**Prayers Received March 27, 2005 – Easter Sunday / The Resurrection of Our Lord**

**Please take this home and use it daily to remember in prayer  
those who are near and dear to the Good Shepherd Community of Faith**

Please email Sheila or Jeff Stutrud with your prayer requests at [prayers@goodshepherdkettering.com](mailto:prayers@goodshepherdkettering.com)