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**Outdoor
Worship
Service**



AS WE GATHER

Welcome! Perhaps you've come with a friend today—or maybe a friend invited you to join us for worship; perhaps you've been here many times as a member or a visitor; regardless, we pray that you will see that God indeed does desire that we know Him as our Friend. We're glad to have all of you here this morning!

MISSION OBSERVANCE WORSHIP SERVICE

WORDS OF WELCOME

Elder of the Day

OPENING HYMN

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia”

LSB 463

1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia! Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!
Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!
2. For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!
3. Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia! God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!
When contending death and life, Alleluia! Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!
4. Christians, on the holy day, Alleluia! All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

EASTER GREETING

Pastor: Jesus Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

EASTER SENTENCES

Pastor: This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Pastor: Christ has risen from the dead. Alleluia!

People: **God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor,**

Pastor: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

People: **He has put all things under His feet. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

MISSION PROCLAMATION

Pastor: The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,

People: **the world and those who dwell therein,**

Pastor: for He has founded it upon the seas

People: **and established it upon the rivers.**

Pastor: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,

People: **and all the families of the nations shall worship before You.**

Pastor: All the earth worships You and sings praises to You;

People: **they sing praises to Your name.**

READING (The days to come for the people of God)

Isaiah 2:2–5

Pastor: It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it,

People: **and many peoples shall come, and say: “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that He may teach us His ways and that we may walk in His paths.”**

Pastor: For out of Zion shall go the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

People: **He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.**

Pastor: O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, You have given us the great command to be Your people who go out in Your name with Your saving Word. Make us aware of Your blessed commission to us as we live our lives to Your glory. Grant faith and courage to Your people, and direct our ways so that we bring a clear witness to Your blessed will and Your loving plan for all humanity. Order our days and our deeds in Your peace, and make us ambassadors of Your grace. This we ask through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

HYMN

“I Love to Tell the Story”

AGPS 128 vs. 1,3,8,9

1. I love to tell the story Of unseen things above, Of Jesus and His glory,
Of Jesus and His love. I love to tell the story, Because I know it’s true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

Refrain: I love to tell the story; ‘Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.

3. I love to tell the story, For those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting
To hear it like the rest. And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new, song,
‘Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long. (*Refrain*)
8. I love to tell the story Although it’s sad to tell. Of how our Lord and Master Faced
pain and death and hell. Dear Jesus, whipped and bleeding Was hung upon the tree
And died on that Good Friday To save both you and me. (*Refrain*)
9. I love to tell the story Of how our Lord and friend. Rose up on Easter morning
And reigns in highest heav’n. The love of God the Father, The Spirit, and the Son
Has given us salvation The free gift Jesus won. (*Refrain*)

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Pastor: O LORD, I call upon You; hasten to me!

People: Give ear to my voice when I call to You!

Pastor: I say to the LORD, You are my God;

People: give ear to the voice of my pleas for mercy, O LORD!

Pastor: With confidence I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD.

People: For the LORD is gracious and compassionate and rich in forgiveness.

Pastor: As people gathered around God's Word, we confess before God that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and admit that by our own strength we cannot free ourselves from our sinful nature. As people called to walk in His ways and to share God's love, let us take refuge in His infinite mercy, seeking and imploring His grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, and saying, "God be merciful to me, a poor, sinful being." In repentance, let us confess our sins unto our gracious God.

People: Almighty God, have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to life everlasting.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our 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. To them who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

People: Amen.

HYMN

"He is Arisen! Glorious Word"

LSB 488

He is arisen! Glorious Word! Now reconciled is God, my Lord; the gates of heav'n are open.

My Jesus did triumphant die, And Satan's arrows broken lie,

Destroyed hell's fiercest weapon. O hear what cheer!

Christ victorious, Rising glorious, Life is giving.

He was dead but now is living!

SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, in Your kindness You cause the light of the Gospel to shine among us. By the working of Your Holy Spirit, help us to share the good news of Your salvation that all who hear it may rejoice in the gift of Your unending love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

‡ WORD ‡

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 62:1–7

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 96

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

Men: Sing to the Lord, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day.

Women: Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples!

People: **For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods.**

Leader: For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

Men: Splendor and majesty are before Him; strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

Women: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts!

People: **Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before Him, all the earth!**

Leader: Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns! Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; He will judge the peoples with equity.”

Men: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!

Women: Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for He comes, for He comes to judge the earth.

People: **He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in His faithfulness. 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.**

EPISTLE READING

Romans 10:11–17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 24th chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING

Luke 24:44–53

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON HYMN*“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”*

LSB 477

1. Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise: Sing to God a hymn of gladness,
Sing to God a hymn of praise; He who on the cross a victim For the world's salvation
bled-Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.
 2. Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat: See the ancient pow'rs of evil
In confusion and retreat; Once He died, and once was buried: Now He lives
forevermore, Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, Whom we worship and adore.
- Δ3. Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high: Alleluia to the Savior
Who has gained the victory; Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia To the triune Majesty!

SERMON*“A Matter of First Importance”**1 Corinthians 15:1-11***APOSTLES' CREED**

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: As we remember the mission and missionaries of the Church from the time of the first apostles to our own day, let us pray for the Church of God, for our nation, and for all people according to their needs. Almighty and everlasting God, we are gathered together for this mission observance by the work of the Spirit who calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth.

People: **Bless all those who in these times share the Gospel with those who have not heard it or have not taken it to heart.**

Pastor: Lord of the Church, grant that we as Your people continue to have hearts for missions in a world where expressions of faith and faithfulness are often not welcomed.

People: **Teach us to be appreciative of the mission work done on our behalf in various settings in our own nations and around the world.**

Pastor: Bless our nation, and give us a full appreciation of the religious freedoms we enjoy in this land. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord of all nations, You have established governments for the protection of citizens and for their well-being.

People: Grant that the proclamation of the Gospel have free course in our nation and every nation that the good news of salvation be gratefully received around the world.

Pastor: *(Special petitions that end in, "Lord in Your mercy").*

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty and everlasting God, by Your Spirit work in us, and grant us opportunities to be people in mission wherever the roads of our lives take us.

People: Grant us grace to be those who bring glory to Your name through all that we do and say as Your redeemed people.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

OFFERING

MISSION SEQUENCE (the congregation may be seated) sung to tune LSB 924

Pastor: Our mission together is vigorously to make known the love of Christ...

HYMN "We Are Called to Stand Together" LSB 828 vs. 1

1. We are called to stand together With the saints of ages past,
With the patriarchs and prophets In the faith they once held fast;
Promises and hopes they treasured Now we find fulfilled at last!

Pastor: The word "apostle" indicates that an individual has been sent out...

HYMN "We Are Called to Stand Together" LSB 828 vs. 2

2. Those whom Jesus called apostles Journeyed with Him side by side,
Heard His teaching, felt His power, Saw the way He lived and died;
Then the news of resurrection They delivered far and wide.

Pastor: The fact that the message of Christ was brought to the ancestors of many...

HYMN "We Are Called to Stand Together" LSB 828 vs. 3

3. Through the intervening ages Round the world the Gospel spread;
Faithful heralds took the message, Guided where the Spirit led;
So the body grew in stature, Serving Christ, the living head.

Pastor: Another missionary to northern lands remembered ...

HYMN "We Are Called to Stand Together" LSB 828 vs. 4

4. Now in many tongues and cultures Songs of celebration ring;
Millions who confess our Savior Honor Him as Lord and King
And, for courage, grace and guidance Ev'ry day their prayers they bring.

Pastor: Many missionaries were active in bringing the gospel to English-speaking lands...

HYMN "We Are Called to Stand Together" LSB 828 vs. 5

5. To each coming generation Tell the truth, persuade explain,
Till the time when time is ended, Till the Savior comes again—
Till the saints are all united Under Christ's eternal reign!

COLLECT FOR PEACE

Pastor: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN "*I Know That My Redeemer Lives*" LSB 461 vs. 1-4, 7 & 8

1. I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
2. He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;
He lives all glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
3. He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above;
He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
4. He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye;
He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint.
7. He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
8. He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives; I know that my Redeemer lives!



OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

5:30PM WORSHIP

Ron Stimpson

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9:00AM WORSHIP

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