

**May 8, 2022**

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*Lord of Life Liturgy [Dr. Bradley C. Hunnicutt]*

The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those “who have come out of the great ordeal” in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

# Joys & Concerns

## Prelude

### Thanksgiving for Baptism

**P.** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**P.** In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing.

You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through.

In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation.

Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.

To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever.

**C. Amen.**

### Gathering Hymn

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!*

ELW 369

### Greeting

**P.** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C. Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**P.** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C. And also with you.**

## Kyrie

A. In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

### C. (Refrain)

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

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

### C. Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

A. 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.

### C. Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

A. For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

### C. Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

A. Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C.

A- men. A - men.

## *This Is the Feast ...*

This is the feast of our Ri -sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord

Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich es and

wis-dom and strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are His.



This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord



Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



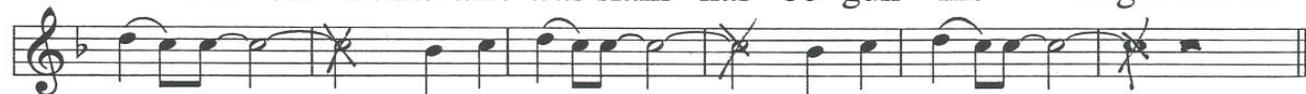
This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord

P. This is indeed the feast of our Risen Savior . . .

. . . And His glorious resurrection has indeed become the Lord of Life!



For the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le



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



This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord

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Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. A - men.



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Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. A - men. A - men.



c.

This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of  
 Christ, our Lord. This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior  
 This is the feast of Christ \_\_\_\_\_ our Lord.

**Prayer of the Day**

A. Let us pray

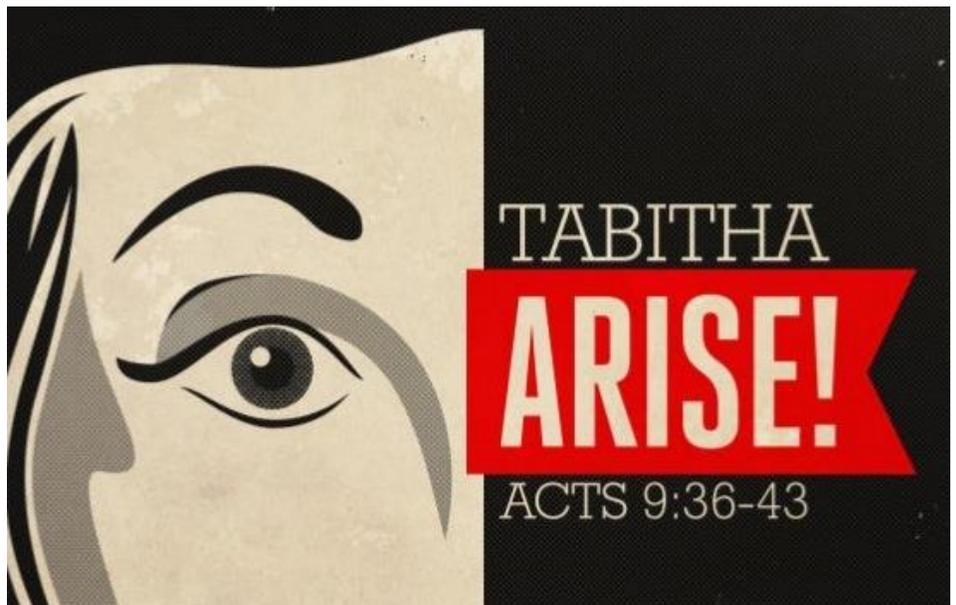
C. **O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Children's Ministry**

Pastor Wayne Dubnansky

**First Reading**

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he



arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

L. Word of God. Word of life.

C. **Thanks be to God.**

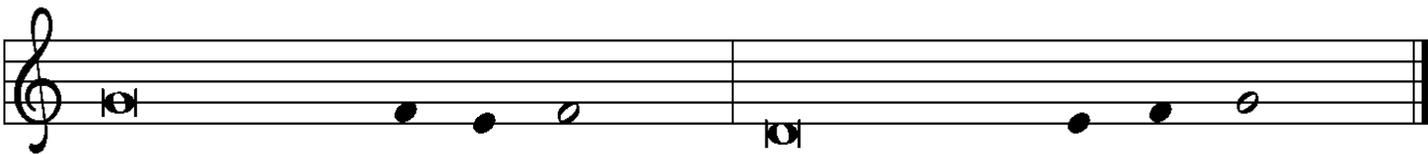


Psalmody

Psalm 23

(tone 6)

chanted responsively



The LORD<sup>1</sup> is my shepherd;  
I shall not<sup>1</sup> be in want.

**The LORD makes me lie down<sup>1</sup> in green pastures  
and leads me be-<sup>1</sup> side still waters.**

You restore my<sup>1</sup> soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways<sup>1</sup> for your name's sake.

**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall<sup>1</sup> fear no evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they<sup>1</sup> comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me in the presence<sup>1</sup> of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is<sup>1</sup> running over.

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days<sup>1</sup> of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the<sup>1</sup> LORD forever.**



I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

**L.** Word of God. Word of life.

**C.** Thanks be to God.

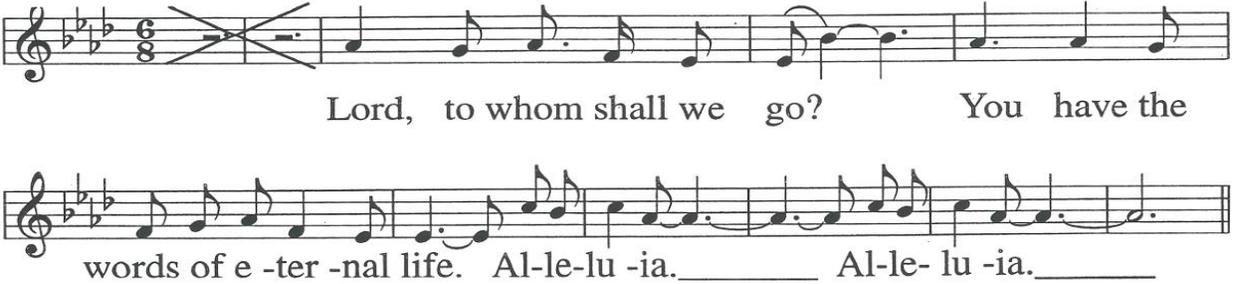
## Gospel Acclamation

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

C.



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le-lu -ia. Al-le-lu -ia.

P. The Holy Gospel according to John chapter ten.



C: Glo - ry, glo - ry to you, O Lord. Al - le - lu - ia.

## John 10:22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

P. The Gospel of the Lord.



C: Praise, Praise to you, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Sermon

"Devoted to Good Works and Acts of Charity"

Pastor Wayne Dubnansky

# 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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped 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 of Intercession

- A.** Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence

Gentle Shepherd, enable your church to respond to the voice of Jesus. Give us unflinching trust, unafraid to join in Jesus' work of renewing all things. God, in your mercy,

- C. hear our prayer.**

- P.** In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

- C. Amen.**



**The Peace**

- P. The Peace of Christ  
be with you always.
- C. And also with you.



**The Offering**

**Anthem**

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

Choir

**Offertory: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, Lord**

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of bless-ing. Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and  
fill to the brim our cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest  
from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of  
life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u-nite them with the  
prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble with your  
pres-ence, Lord, your pres-ence, Lord, your pres-ence, Lord.  
Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence, Lord, and give us a fore-taste,  
give us a fore-taste, give us a fore-taste of the  
feast to come. A-men.

## Offertory Prayer

- A. Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving



P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

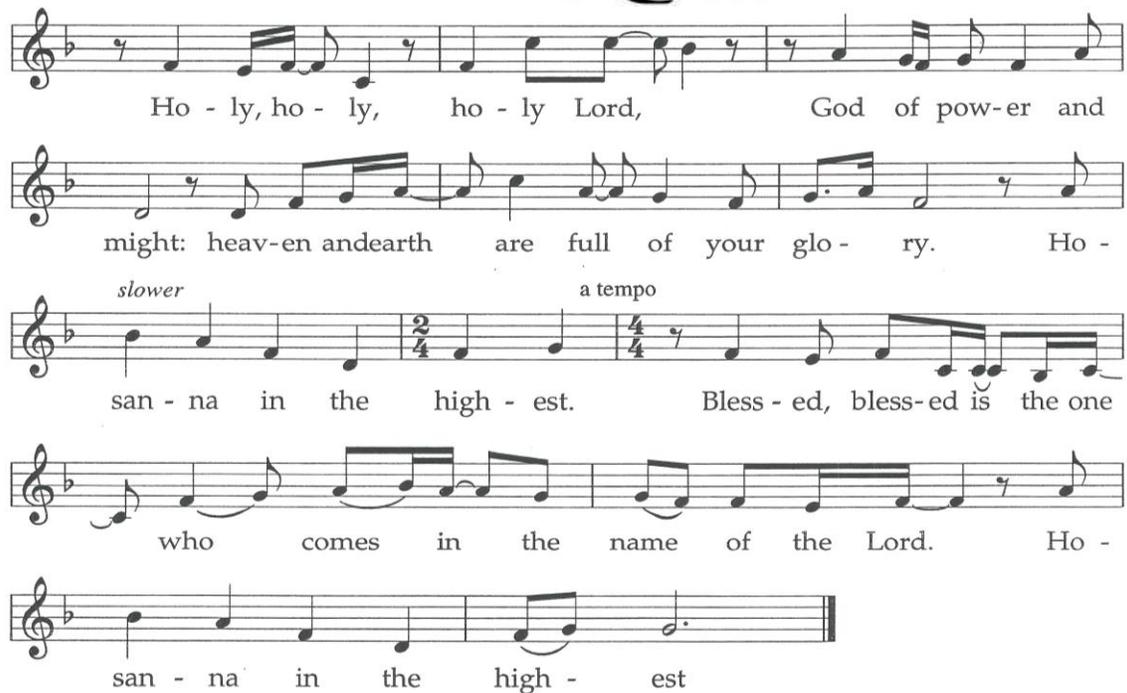
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed.....

*Praise*  
and give thanks to  
*the*  
*Lord*

## The Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
might: heav-en andearth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
*slower* san - na in the high - est. *a tempo* Bless - ed, bless - ed is the one  
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est

## Eucharistic Prayer

# The LORD'S Prayer

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

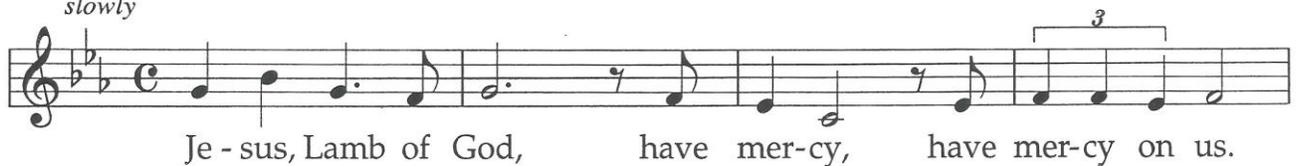
P. The risen Christ dwells with us here. All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

C. Amen.



### Lamb of God

*slowly*



## Communion Hymns

<i>The King of Love My Shepherd Is</i>	ELW 502
<i>The Lord's My Shepherd</i>	ELW 778
<i>Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound</i>	ELW 779

## Post Communion Blessing

P. God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, † bless you now and forever.

C. Amen.

## Post Communion Canticle

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'-ry - one what  
God has done. Let ev'-ry - one who seeks the Lord re -  
joice and proud - ly bear His name.  
He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peop - ple  
forth in joy with shouts, with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al -  
le - lu - ia.

*Al-le-lu-ia!*

## Post Communion Prayer

A. We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

C. Amen

## Benedictus

*Presider*

The Lord bless you and keep you.

*Congregation*

The Lord bless you and keep you, too.

Lord make his face shine on you and be gra-cious to

The Lord make his face shine on you

you.

The Lord look up-on you with fa-vor and

and be gra-cious to you. The

give you peace. A - men.

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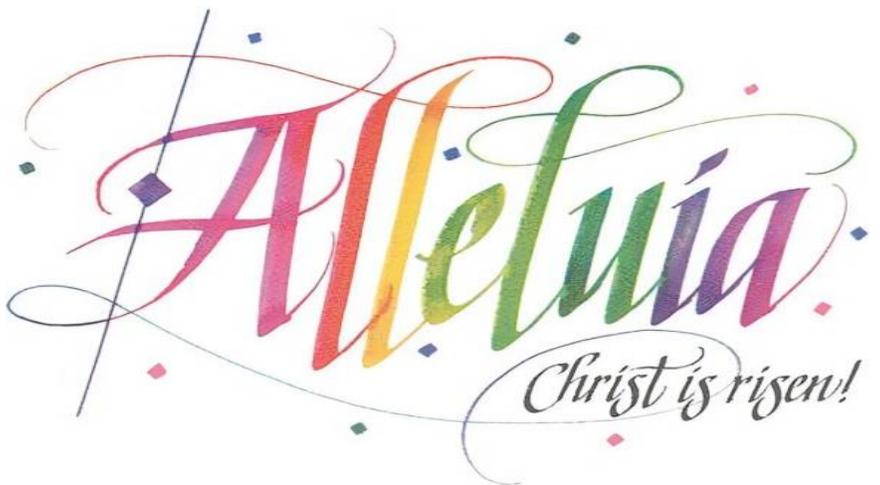
## Sending Hymn

*Have No Fear, Little Flock*

ELW 764

## Dismissal

- A. Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- P. Go in peace. Tell what God has done.
- C. Thanks be to God.



## Postlude

Brad Hunnicutt

**Servers for Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>:**

Assisting Minister..... Alecia Harrison  
Reader ..... Alecia Harrison  
Altar Guild ..... Sylvia Lambert  
Greeters/Counters ..... Gale Isaacs/Steve Brantley  
Acolyte ..... Antonio Smith

# Serving from the Heart

Sign-up sheets for the various worship assistant slots are on the board in the hallway. Please consider spending time giving glory to God by filling one of these positions on a Sunday.

Flowers this week are given by Tom & Alecia Harrison in celebration of Alecia's Birthday!!

Honor a loved one by making a donation for the candles in the sanctuary for the month or the flowers that beautify the church each Sunday. Sign-up sheet is on the board in the hallway.

## After Worship Food & Fellowship Sponsored By Terry & Grace Barnes and Sheryll Albert



May 11    7:00 am    Rotary Breakfast  
             7:00 pm    Choir Practice

May 14    11:00 am



**For Paula Pickler**