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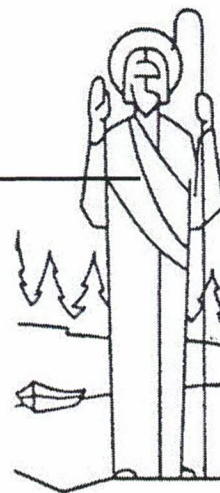
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**Church Services are held on Sundays at 9:00 am.
Saturdays 5:30 pm May 29 – August 28, 2021**

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WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Please let us know if we can serve you in any way. Everyone is welcome to Holy Communion at Shepherd of the Lakes. Come forward as ushers direct, receive the wafer in your hand and move to the wine which is served in individual portions. We offer grape juice as an alternative to wine. Gluten-free wafers are also available at your request from communion servers when you partake.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus & seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

Recorded Services:

All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube. Go to the Church website at

www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org

and look for the  symbol.

Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.

Readings for May 16, 2021:

First Reading Acts 1:15-17,
21-26

Psalm 1

Second Reading 1 John 5:9-13

Holy Gospel John 17:6-19



Invited into Friendship

Ask any child who has moved to a new place and they will probably confirm that their biggest worry was if they'd make new friends. Parents worry for their teenager and young adult in each stage of growth, wondering if new friends will be kind and generous, if their daughter or son will find mutually beneficial relationships. Adults are not immune from their own relationship trials. Busy lives, competing priorities, transitions and death can mean the end of sustaining relationships. Bullying, fear-tactics and misuse of others are common problems, so friendship is precious. We treasure new friendships and work to keep tending those that last for many years—because we need them.

Today's readings inspire and compel us to love one another and see one another as God does. As the Holy Spirit falls on those outside the inner circle of the circumcised, Peter asks how the water of baptism can be withheld. In 1 John we hear that those who love the parent love the child. Jesus says followers are no longer servants but friends. So whether they are a stranger with different customs and practices, our family member, or closest friend, we are called today with the challenge and opportunity to love them. The promise is that this unconditional love that comes first from our Creator and Parent, expressed through the person of Jesus and through the Spirit, is splashed all over us, and will make our joy complete.

For those who have experienced great relationships in their lives and for those who have never yet quite tasted that sustaining fruit, Jesus shows how much he loves us and the ways to cultivate deeper relationships. Jesus laid down his life to show his great love. We're invited to love expansively and experience the joy of friendship with Jesus and through the body of Christ.

CHURCH SERVICES:

Regular Sunday morning services at 9:00 am. Saturdays 5:30 pm May 29 – August 28, 2021. Masks, while not required, however are greatly encouraged in the sanctuary for the services. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later in the day.

FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH:

The second Sunday of each month will be our regular fellowship brunch. Bring a dish to pass as you can.



PRAYER REQUESTS

(Please note: "Current issue" listings remain in the bulletin for three weeks and then are removed unless instructions are received to move that listing to the "ongoing health issues" list.)

Pray for those dealing with current issues:

Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Larry, Rich, Gus, Dee, Ray, Joan, Lois, Lyn, Mike, and Tom & Carol.

Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Jeff, Brian, Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, and Zachary.

Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Mel & Barb and Elisabeth.

Pray for the families of those who have passed:

Family of Joanie

Please email Bill Wendorf at pastor@SOTLSayner.com or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean Maines at secretary@SOTLSayner.com or text to 715-542-3344 if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list. Prayer requests are sent out via email.

***If anyone is interested in being the contact person for the prayer chain,
please contact Bill Wendorf or Bill Sima.***

SEASON OF EASTER

May 9, 2021

Prelude

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

We begin our confession in the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another as you have loved us. In your compassion, forgive our sin and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our light and our truth. Amen

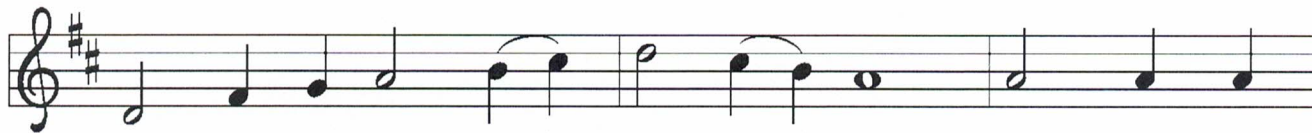
With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life + in Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

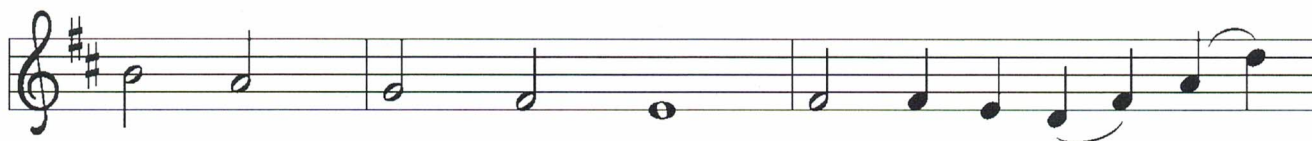
Gathering Hymn "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" ELW 619 vrs. 1,7,8.

(Please Stand as you are comfortable)

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my



once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

5 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.

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.

6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
he lives and loves me to the end;
he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;
he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!

8 He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799, alt.

Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

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Greeting

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

And also with you.

Kyrie

- 1) *Leader*: In peace, in peace . . .
- 2) *Leader*: For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all . . .
- 3) *Leader*: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, . . .
- 4) *Leader*: Help, save, and defend us, O God. . . .

The musical score is written on three staves in a 2/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff begins with a double bar line and a repeat sign, followed by the lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy,". The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics "Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy." and ends with a long horizontal line. The third staff starts with a fermata over the letter "A", followed by a double bar line and a key signature change to three sharps (F#, C#, G#). Below this staff, the text reads "Optional segue to 'Now the Feast' or 'Glory to God'". To the right of the segue, there is a final musical phrase consisting of a single note with a fermata, followed by the word "men.".

Hymn of Praise

Now the Feast and Celebration



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

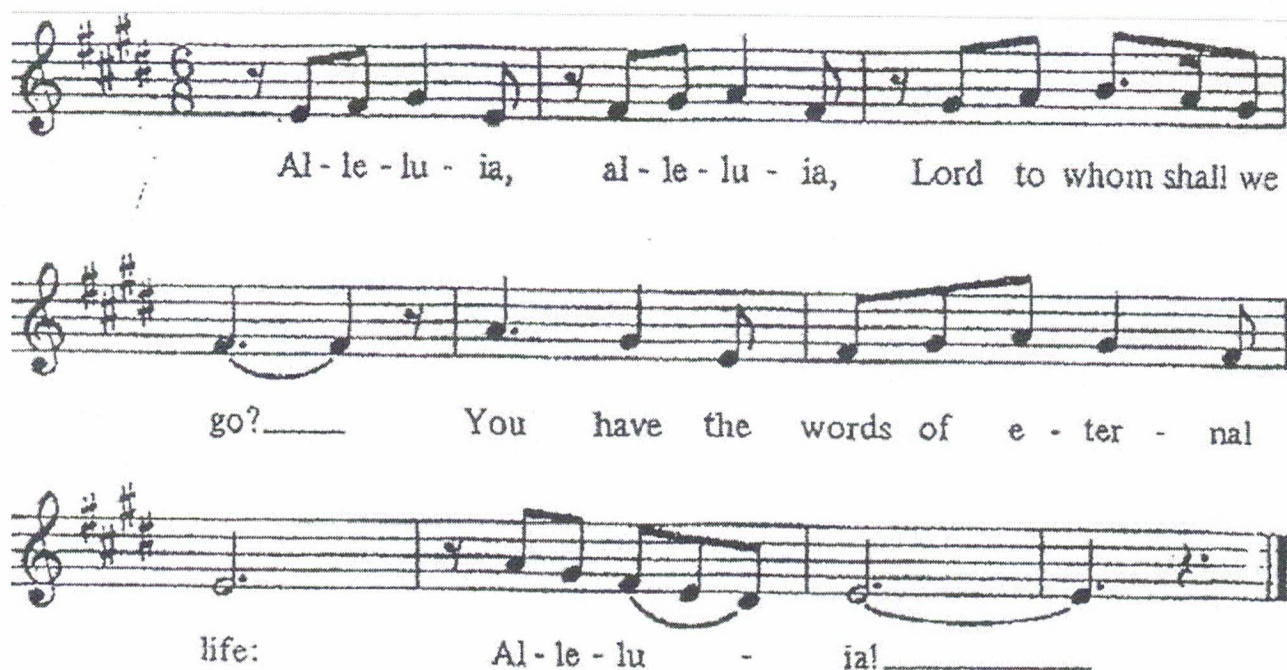
Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

(Please stand as you are comfortable for the Gospel Acclamation)

Gospel Acclamation



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

Reading of the Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel According to....

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 15:9-17

[Jesus said:] ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" ELW 631 vrs. 1,3,4.

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less

earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Affirmation of Baptism (Please be seated following the hymn)

(A parent or sponsor presents those making affirmation.)

I present Sofi R. Tranberg, who *desires* to make public affirmation of *her* baptism.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for *this sister*,
whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism.
You have called *her* to yourself,
enlightened *her* with the gifts of your Spirit,
and nourished *her* in the community of faith.
Uphold your *servant* in the gifts and promises of baptism,
and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth.
We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen.

John 15: 5-8

⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

Profession of Faith

Sofi, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

(The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.)

P) Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

P) Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P) Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Sofi, you have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:
to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for love, forgiveness, and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

(The minister addresses the assembly.)

People of God,

do you promise to support *Sofi*, who is making public affirmation of *her* baptism, and to pray for *her* in *her* life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

P) Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

(The presiding minister may lay both hands on the head of those affirming their baptism.)

Stir up in *Sofi* the gift of your Holy Spirit:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence,
both now and forever.

Amen.

(A representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.)

Let us welcome and rejoice with *Sofi*, who has made public affirmation of her baptism.

**We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.
Together we will give thanks and praise to God
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

(Applause is appropriate) ☺

Prayers of the People

(Please stand as you are comfortable for the prayers)

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please greet your neighbor from where you are standing, and then be seated)

Offering

“Due to these extraordinary times, our offering is no longer received in the traditional manner. For those of you worshipping in church, as you enter or leave the sanctuary, you will find an offering plate located at each entrance. If you wish, you may place your offering there.”

For those of you worshipping with us at home -

You can mail your donations to:

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Or on the church website www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org

You can donate through our PayPal account.

“Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together.”

As the Lord’s table is prepared, please join in singing:

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” ELW 752

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying". It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system has the lyrics: "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;". The second system has the lyrics: "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace." The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a more active bass line in the left hand.

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Prayer

Holy God,

gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: Congregation:

The_ Lord be with you. And_ al- so with you.

Presider: Congregation: Presider:

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give

Congregation:

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

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy,....
....praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Introduction when preface is spoken.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly are you, God of pow-er and

might; ___ Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the One who comes in your

name. ___ Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

Eucharistic Prayer

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

On the night in which he was betrayed . . .

Remembering his command to love one another, his life and his glorious resurrection, we pray:

Presider sings first time, Congregation sings second time:

Presider:
A - men, Come, Lord Je-sus, A - men, Come, Lord Je -sus.

Congregation:
A - men, Come, Lord Je-sus; A - men. Come, Lord Je -sus. —

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major (one sharp). The Presider's part is a single melodic line. The Congregation's part is a single melodic line that begins with a rest for the first measure, then follows the same melody as the Presider's part.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit that all of your promises may come to us and your whole creation. Empower us by that same Spirit, to love and forgive that our lives may anticipate that day when you will make all things new. We pray:

Presider sings first time, Congregation sings second time:

Presider:
A - men. Come, Ho-ly Spir-it; A - men. Come, Ho-ly Spir-it.

Congregation:
A - men. Come, Ho-ly Spir-it; A - men. Come, Ho-ly Spir-it. —

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major (one sharp). The Presider's part is a single melodic line. The Congregation's part is a single melodic line that begins with a rest for the first measure, then follows the same melody as the Presider's part.

This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and friend.

Amen

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, (Lord,) now and for - ev - er,
A - men.
A - men.

Lord Jesus, remember us in your Kingdom, and teach us to pray...

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.**

Distribution

*As the ushers direct people to communion, please be seated.
All are Welcome*

HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION:

“Lamb of God”

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

Lord, Be Glorified

1 In my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
 2 In our song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
 3 In your church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
 4 In your world, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;

in my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
 in our song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
 in your church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
 in your world, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.

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Eat This Bread

Jesus Christ, Bread of Life

Refrain

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.
OR *Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.*

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

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Come and Fill Our Hearts

Confitemini Domino

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.
 Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a - lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al - le - lu - ia!

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1 Fa - ther,
2 Je - sus, I a - dore you, lay my life be -
3 Spir - it,

fore you; how I love you.

(Please stand as you are able for the remainder of the service.)

TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen and keep you in his grace.

Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Sending

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

A: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

*Please be sure to join us for brunch and fellowship after the service
in the community room.*

Due to the upcoming landscaping project, our church sign will be removed and replaced with an electronic sign. During the time that we are without a sign, please be sure to check this space in the worship guide and the church website for worship times and events.

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