



Third Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022

Worship & Communion @ 10:30 am

Liturgist: Melissa Dalburg

Special Music: The Handbell Choir

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

Music as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship

Chimes: Hymns

Prelude *"How Firm a Foundation"* arr. Margel James

Welcome and Announcements

Nursery care is available for infants through age 5 in Room 115.

Kids are an important part of our church family! Each Sunday, the children are welcome to use our Playground space during worship; parents and grandparents may sit close by.

Kids and families who would prefer to sit together in the pews may pick-up worship materials to use during this time from the worship bag cart or the Playground space.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: God comes into a world filled with uncertainties and darkness.

All: God seeks out the voids of belief and conviction.

Leader: God embraces the wounded and broken.

All: God knocks down the walls of division and strife.

Leader: God is the candle shining in the darkness of our days.

All: God is the light of our lives.

Leader: God is the one who makes all things new.

All: Praise be to God, now and forevermore!

Opening Hymn

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty
Glory to God Hymnal #35

LOBE DEN HERREN

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly for aye we adore him.

Opening Prayer**Old Testament Psalm 30**

- 1 I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up,
and did not let my foes rejoice over me.
- 2 O Lord my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.
- 3 O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol,
restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.
- 4 Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones,
and give thanks to his holy name.
- 5 For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.
- 6 As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."
- 7 By your favor, O Lord,
you had established me as a strong mountain;
you hid your face; I was dismayed.
- 8 To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication:
- 9 "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit?
Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?"
- 10 Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me!
O Lord, be my helper!"
- 11 You have turned my mourning into dancing;
you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
- 12 so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.
O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Music Meditation

"Lord, I Want to be a Christian"

arr. Ron Mallory

Children's Moment

New Testament Luke 5:17-26

17 One day, while he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting near by (they had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem); and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. ¹⁸ Just then some men came, carrying a paralyzed man on a bed. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus; ¹⁹ but finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus. ²⁰ When he saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven you." ²¹ Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, "Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" ²² When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? ²³ Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you' or to say, 'Stand up and walk'? ²⁴ But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" — he said to the one who was paralyzed — "I say to you, stand up and take your bed and go to your home." ²⁵ Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. ²⁶ Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, "We have seen strange things today."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Meditation

Prayers of the People

Communion

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Holy God, with joy we praise you and give thanks to your name...

We offer this prayer of thanksgiving in the name of Jesus Christ who taught the church how to pray saying:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

“Pray for One Another”

Please pray this week for the following members and families:

Janis Goddard; Rick Gomez; Don & Jane Goodwin; Linda Granath; Robert & Ophelia Gregory, Breanna, Madison; Harry & Terri Hackett; Cullen & Barbie Hackler; Stewart Hackler; Joyce Hall; Jay & Jennifer Hannah, Will, Ainsley.

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***Closing Hymn**

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy
Glory to God Hymnal #435

IN BABILONE

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.
There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.
There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind.
And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's Word,
and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.

Benediction

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below,
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Organ Response

“O God Our Help In Ages Past”

(St. Ann)



The flowers today are given by Ollie to the glory of God and in honor of the 25th anniversary of the ordination of Patrick Day.

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