



**Pilgrim**  
LUTHERAN  
**Church**

## **Divine Service**



**April 28, 2024**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

# Opening Hymn

## Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!  
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter  
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;  
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:  
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!  
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;  
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;  
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.  
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:  
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,  
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!  
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.  
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

*Refrain*



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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# Thanksgiving for Baptism

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be God, the Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit,  
the wellspring of grace,  
our Easter and our joy.

**Amen.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

Immersed in the promises of baptism,  
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.  
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning  
your voice thundered over the deep  
and water became the essence of life.  
Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.  
The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.  
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea  
into freedom's land.  
In a desert pool the Ethiopian official  
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.  
By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection  
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,  
freeing us to live as Easter people.  
We rejoice with glad hearts,  
giving all honor and praise to you,  
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

## The Sign of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**



# Songs of Praise

## We Bow Down

### Verse 1

You are Lord of creation  
And Lord of my life  
Lord of the land and the sea  
You were Lord of the heavens  
Before there was time  
And Lord of all lords You will be

### Chorus 1

We bow down  
And we worship You Lord  
We bow down  
And we worship You Lord  
We bow down  
And we worship You Lord  
Lord of all lords You will be

### Verse 2

You are King of creation  
And King of my life  
King of the land and the sea  
You were King of the heavens  
Before there was time  
And King of all kings You will be

### Chorus 2

We bow down  
And we crown You the King  
We bow down  
And we crown You the King  
We bow down  
And we crown You the King  
King of all kings You will be

### Chorus 1

We bow down  
And we worship You Lord  
We bow down  
And we worship You Lord  
We bow down  
And we worship You Lord  
Lord of all lords You will be

## **By Our Love**

### **Verse 1**

Brothers let us come together  
Walking in the Spirit  
There's much to be done  
We will come reaching  
Out from our comforts  
And they will know us by our love

### **Verse 2**

Sisters we were made for kindness  
We can pierce the darkness  
As He shines through us  
We will come reaching  
With a song of healing  
And they will know us by our love

### **Chorus**

The time is now  
Come church arise  
Love with His hands  
See with His eyes  
Bind it around you  
Let it never leave you  
And they will know us by our love

### **Verse 3**

Children you are hope for justice  
Stand firm in the Truth now  
Set your hearts above  
You will be reaching  
Long after we're gone  
And they will know you by your love

### **Chorus**

The time is now  
Come church arise  
Love with His hands  
See with His eyes  
Bind it around you  
Let it never leave you  
And they will know us by our love

# Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray...

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## First Reading

### Acts 8

26 An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) 27 So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship 28 and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. 29 Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." 30 So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" 31 He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. 32 Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,  
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,  
so he does not open his mouth.

33 In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

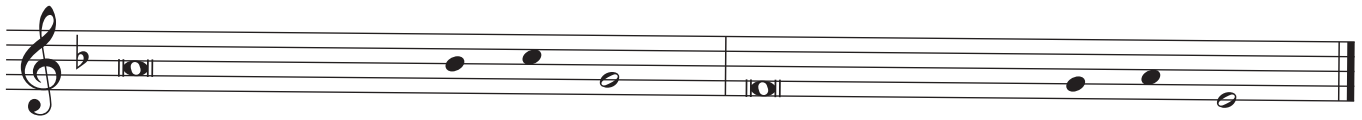
34 The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" 35 Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. 36 As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" 38 He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. 39 When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. 40 But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

# Psalm

## Psalm 22

### Tone



### Refrain

All the ends of the earth shall re -

mem - ber and turn to the Lord.

**Refrain: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord.**

25 From you comes my praise in the • great assembly;  
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who • fear the Lord.

**26 The poor shall eat • and be satisfied,**

**Let those who seek the Lord give praise! May your hearts • live forever!**

27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn • to the Lord;  
all the families of nations shall bow • before God.

**28 For dominion belongs • to the Lord,  
who rules o-• ver the nations.**

**Refrain: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord.**

29 Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow • down in worship;  
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel be- • fore the Lord.

**30 Their descendants shall • serve the Lord,  
whom they shall proclaim to genera- • tions to come.**

31 They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people • yet unborn,  
saying to them, "The • Lord has acted!"

**Glory be to the Father and • to the Son  
and to the Holy • Spirit;  
as it was in the be - • ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. • Amen.**

**Refrain: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord.**

## Second Reading

### 1 John 4

7 Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. 9 God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11 Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

13 By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. 14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. 15 God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. 16 So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. 17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. 19 We love because he first loved us. 20 Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. 21 The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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## Children's Message

**Monique Nunes**

## Gospel Acclamation

**All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, fifteenth chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord!**

[Jesus said:] 1 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. 2 He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. 3 You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. 5 I 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. 6 Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**



## Prayers of Intercession

*Following each prayer petition:*

God of Grace, **hear our prayer.**

## Offering

### The Sacrament of the Altar

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 our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed our duty and our joy...evermore praising You and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of Your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed + is He who comes in the Name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.**

We proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

## Words of Institution

# Confession of Faith

## Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe 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**

## 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.**

## O Lamb of God...

## Ways to Commune

**Intinction** – Dipped bread placed into hands or directly in the mouth

**Sealed Cups** – Gluten-Free in Blue and Alcohol-Free in Pink are available (take to seat, and we will commune together)

**Prayer** – Approach the communion table with arms crossing your chest

## Communion Song

### Deep Deep Love

#### Verse 1

Your deep deep love washes over me  
Your deep deep love fills my ev'ry need  
How I long to hear Your voice call out my name  
It draws me to Your deep deep love

#### Verse 2

Your deep deep love cleanses all my sins  
Your deep deep love brings a peace within  
How I long to hear Your voice call out my name  
It draws me to Your deep deep love

#### Bridge

Lord my heart is filled with praises  
For Your goodness makes me sing  
Jesus I'm forever grateful  
For Your love has done a work in me

### A Place of Restoration

This house shall be called  
A place of restoration  
A place where the broken are made whole  
Healing water flows  
And mercy abounds here  
My Spirit abides here says the Lord

# Blessing

## Closing Hymn

### Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds  
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,  
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;  
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has  
there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has  
set heart and will on things a - bove that we  
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of  
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he  
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -  
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all  
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly  
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

# Announcements

## My Life is in You

### Chorus

My life is in You Lord  
My strength is in You Lord  
My hope is in You Lord  
In You it's in You  
My life is in You Lord  
My strength is in You Lord  
My hope is in You Lord  
In You it's in You

### Verse

I will praise You  
With all of my life  
I will praise You  
With all of my strength  
With all of my life  
With all of my strength  
All of my hope is in You

*Please use the basket in the Narthex to dispose of your used Holy Communion Cups as you leave the Sanctuary*

# Serving at Worship Today

## **Preaching and Presiding**

Rev. John Arthur Nunes, PhD

## **Director of Music**

Mary Harper

## **Reader**

Carolyn Barbian

## **Greeters**

Tom Bartos

## **Ushers**

## **Acolytes**

# Upcoming Events



Learn more about all upcoming events at [pilgrimsm.org/calendar](https://pilgrimsm.org/calendar)

## Pilgrim Giving



Your faithful financial stewardship is as important as ever. We will be creating cards with QR code to access online giving.

## Serve at Pilgrim



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## Happening this Week

### **Sunday, April 28**

Bible Study, 8:30 am  
Divine Service, 10:00 am

### **Monday, April 29**

Alpha Prayers, 9:00 am  
*Online*

*Contact Barbara P. to join.*

### **Tuesday, April 30**

Vicarage Worship Service, 1:00 pm  
*Online*

### **Wednesday, May 1**

### **Thursday, May 2**

### **Friday, May 3**

### **Saturday, May 4**



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