

Third Sunday of Easter



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Saint John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Oak Creek, WI

April 11 & 14, 2024

Welcome to Saint John's!

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod + founded 1843

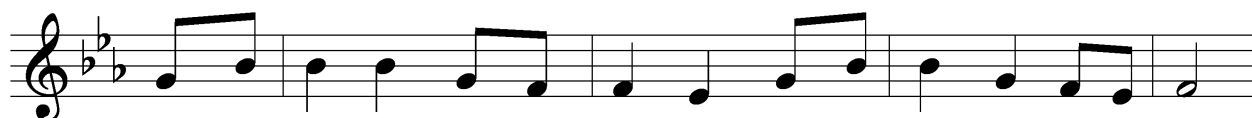
- May **God bless your worship** today so that your faith in Christ grows stronger and your love for God and neighbor burns more brightly.
- The **restrooms** are located in the basement at the east end of the building.
- **Your children** are always welcome at St. John's and we encourage you to involve them in the service. *If you need to take your little one out for a bit of a breather, please use our parents' room located in the back of the church.* Parents with small children may wish to consider sitting in the back pews. Thanks for showing respect to your fellow worshipers.
- If you would like **more information** about Saint John's, feel free to...
 - Visit Our website: www.stjohnsoakwood.org
 - Email Pastor Reckzin : d.reckzin@gmail.com
 - Call Pastor Reckzin: 414-232-2953
- If you are **interested in joining St. John's**, Pastor Reckzin is happy to lead you through some Bible classes at your convenience. There is no cost or obligation.

Participation in Holy Communion In respect for the Scriptures and the true presence of Christ's body and blood in the Sacrament, Saint John's follows the ancient and biblical practice of member communion. We ask that only members of Saint John's or of WELS/ELS congregations come forward to receive Holy Communion. If you have questions about close communion, Pastor Reckzin is happy to explain the practice according to Holy Scripture. We appreciate your respect for our practice. Thank you.

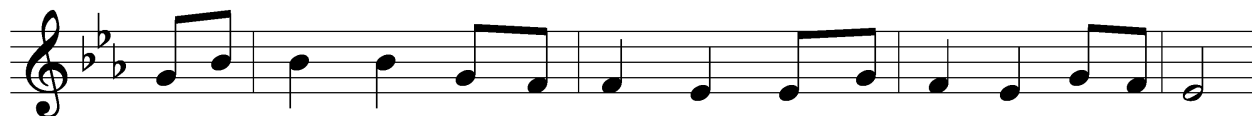
Prayer upon entering Church: *Lord Jesus, you have conquered sin and death by your glorious resurrection. I pray, destroy in me doubt, fear, and ignorance. Send me your Holy Spirit so I may rejoice in your eternal victory and proclaim the good news that you are the crucified and risen Savior. In your Name I ask this. AMEN!*

535 Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery

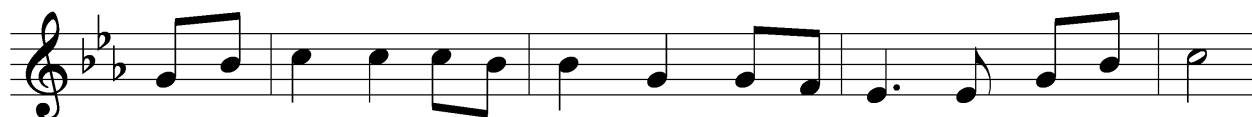
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- 1 Come, be-hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, in the dawn-ing of the King,
- 2 Come, be-hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, he the per - fect Son of Man;
- 3 Come, be-hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Christ the Lord up - on the tree;
- 4 Come, be-hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, slain by death the God of life;



he the theme of heav-en's prais - es, robed in frail hu-man-i - ty.
 in his liv - ing, in his suf - f'ring nev - er trace nor stain of sin.
 in the stead of ru - ined sin - ners hangs the Lamb in vic - to - ry.
 but no grave could e'er re - strain him; praise the Lord; he is a - live!



In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the light of life has come.
 See the true and bet - ter Ad - am, come to save the hell-bound man.
 See the price of our re - demp - tion, see the Fa - ther's plan un - fold,
 What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance; how un - wa - ver - ing our hope.



Look to Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som us.
 Christ the great and sure ful - fill - ment of the law; in him we stand.
 bring - ing man - y sons to glo - ry, grace un - mea - sured, love un - told.
 Christ in pow - er res - ur - rect - ed as will we be when he comes.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
 and will forgive us our sins
 and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

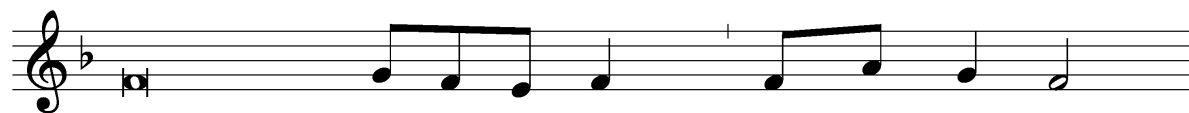
**Holy God, gracious Father,
 I am sinful by nature
 and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
 I have not loved you with my whole heart;
 I have not loved others as I should.
 I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
 But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
 with his innocent suffering and death.
 Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Silence for meditation and reflection

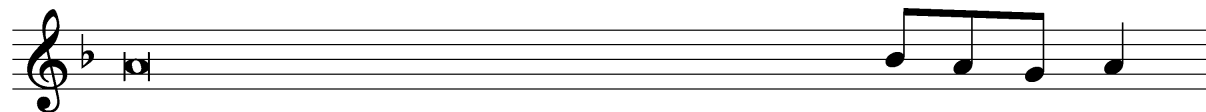
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

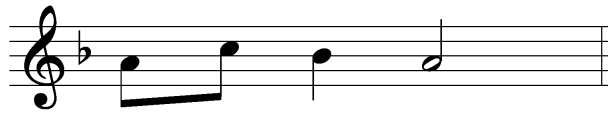
Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



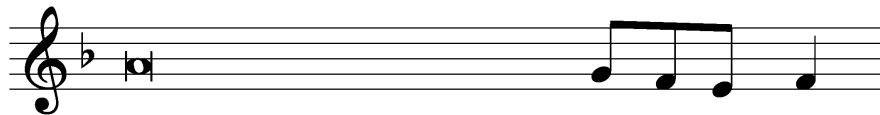
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



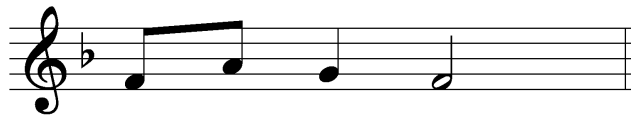
Lord, have mer - cy.



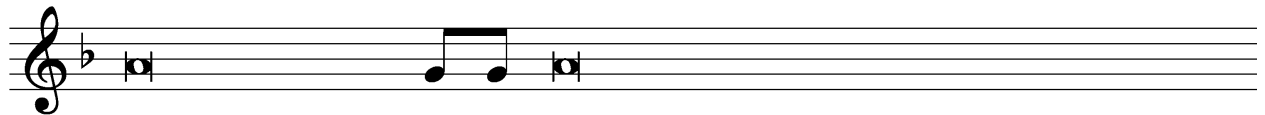
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



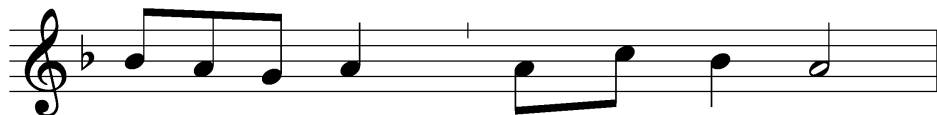
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.

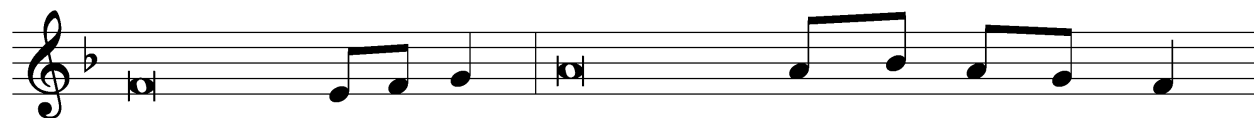


A - men.

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Glory Be to God on High

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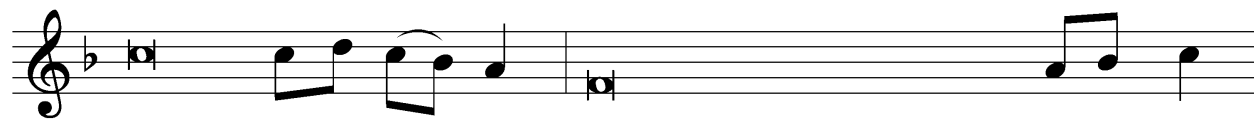
Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



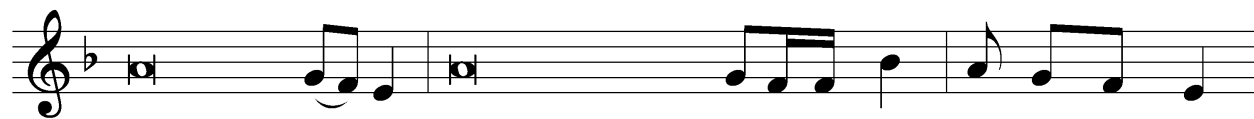
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



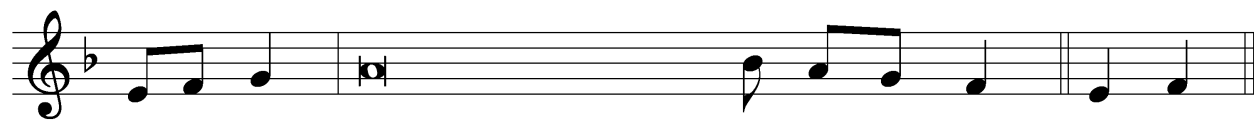
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Acts 3:11–20

Peter healed a crippled beggar, drawing a large crowd. Peter used that opportunity to share a meaningful message about the one the people of Jerusalem asked Pilate to crucify.

While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people came running toward them in utter amazement in the area called Solomon's Colonnade.

When Peter saw this, he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why are you amazed at this? Why are you staring at us, as if by our own power or godliness we have made this man walk? The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and disowned in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you. You killed the Author of Life, whom God raised from the dead. We are witnesses of this. And on the basis of faith in his name, it is the name of Jesus that has strengthened this man, whom you see and know. This faith that comes through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"Now brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, just like your leaders. But in this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through the mouth of all the prophets: that his Christ would suffer. Therefore repent and return to have your

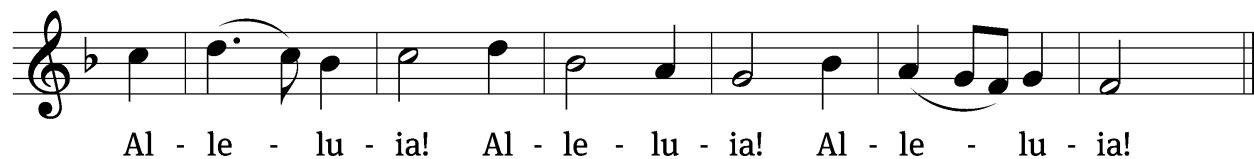
sins wiped out, so that refreshing times may come from the presence of the Lord and that he may send Jesus, the Christ appointed for you.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

150B Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Psalm 150B

Refrain



Tone



Praise God in his sanctu- / ary;
praise him in his mighty / heavens.
Praise him for his acts of / power;
praise him for his surpassing / greatness. Refrain

Praise him with the sounding of the / trumpet,
praise him with the / harp and lyre,
praise him with timbrel and / dancing,
praise him with the / strings and pipe,
praise him with the clash of / cymbals,
praise him with resounding / cymbals. Refrain

Let everything that has breath / praise the LORD.
Praise / the LORD.

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

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Second Reading

1 John 1:5—2:2

St. John summarizes the meaningful message we have heard and been called to declare: God is light.

This is the message we heard from him and proclaim to you: God is light. In him there is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him but still walk in darkness, we are lying and do not put the truth into practice. But if we walk in the light, just as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, his Son, cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar, and his Word is not in us.

My children, I write these things to you so that you will not sin. If anyone does sin, we have an Advocate before the Father: Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the whole world.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

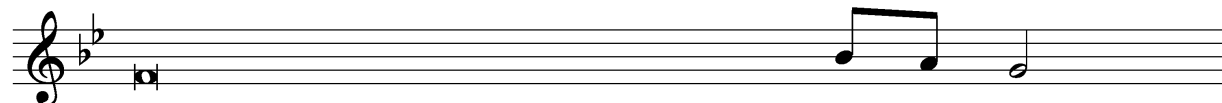
Luke 24:46,47



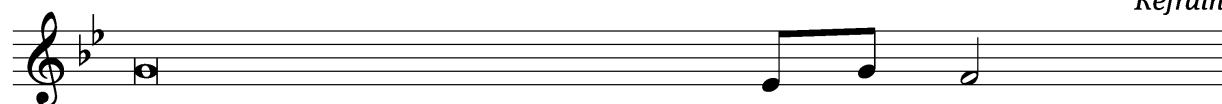
Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day,



and repentance for the forgiveness of sins
will be preached in his name to all na - tions.

Gospel

Luke 24:36–49

The risen Savior gives us peace. He also gives us a mission. We are to share the message of repentance and forgiveness.

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

But they were terrified and frightened and thought they were looking at a ghost.

He said to them, “Why are you troubled? Why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they still did not believe it (because of their joy), and while they were still wondering, he said to them, “Do you have anything here to eat?”

They gave him a piece of broiled fish and some honeycomb. He took it and ate in front of them. He said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms.”

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. He said to them, “This is what is written and so it must be: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. Look, I am sending you what my Father promised. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

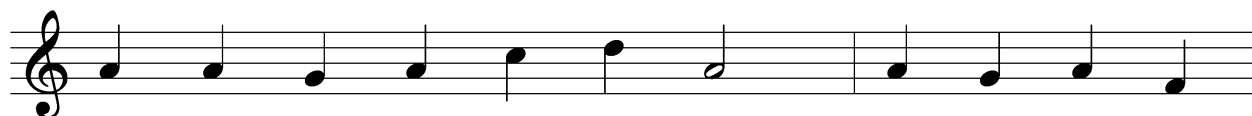
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

459 Christ the Lord Is Risen Again

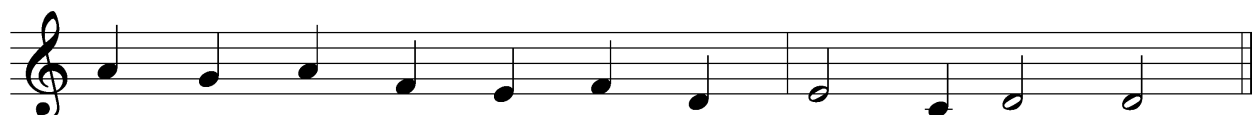
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1 Christ the Lord is ris'n a - gain; Christ has bro - ken
 2 He who gave for us his life, who for us en -
 3 He who bore all pain and loss com - fort - less up -
 4 He whose path no rec - ords tell has de - scend - ed



death's strong chain. Hark, the an - gels shout for joy,
 dured the strife, is our Pas - chal Lamb to - day.
 on the cross lives in glo - ry now on high,
 in - to hell; he the strong man armed has bound



sing - ing ev - er - more on high: Hal - le - lu - jah!
 We too sing for joy and say: Hal - le - lu - jah!
 pleads for us, and hears our cry: Hal - le - lu - jah!
 and in high - est heav'n is crowned. Hal - le - lu - jah!

5 He who slumbered in the grave
 is exalted now to save;
 now through Christendom it rings
 that the Lamb is King of kings.
 Hallelujah!

6 Now he bids us tell abroad
 how the lost may be restored,
 how the penitent forgiv'n,
 how we, too, may enter heav'n.
 Hallelujah!

Text: tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.; Michael Weisse, c. 1480–1534, abr.
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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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

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 in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

Prayer of the Church

O Lord God, our strength, our song, and our salvation, you fulfilled your promises by the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead.

Thanks be to God! You give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

In your compassion you sent Christ, the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life to rescue the lost.

Drive out all doubt and gloom that we may delight in your glorious triumph.

Lift our eyes heavenward to see him who lives to make intercession for the saints, and grant us confidence in the greatness of his power. Keep before us the vision of your redeemed people standing before your throne and singing the song of victory.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive wisdom and power and honor and glory and praise.

Make us instruments of your peace as we bring the good news of hope and new life to those around us. Guide us in the use of all that you have entrusted to us: our time, our talents, and our treasures.

Risen Lord, live in us that we may live for you.

Merciful Lord Jesus, grant healing to the sick, and strengthen the faith of the suffering and the dying. Assure them of your abiding presence, and comfort them with the hope of eternal life.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

Gracious Father, you have restored to us the joy of your salvation. With happy hearts, we come before you and say:

Alleluia! Thanks be to God! Amen.

Offertory

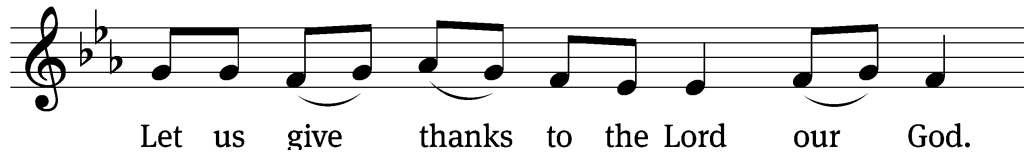
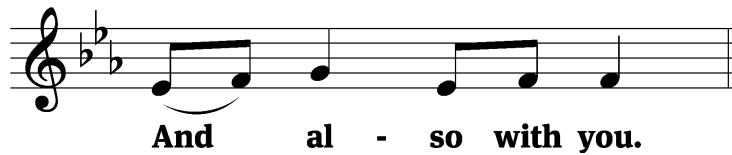
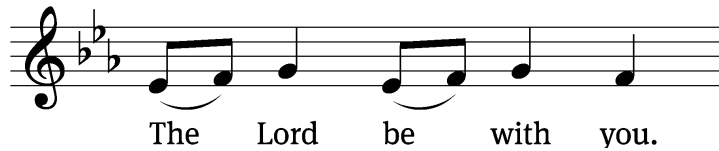
The offertory serves as a 'hinge' between the service of the Word and the service of the sacrament. It is a time to reflect on what you have heard and to prepare for the reception of Holy Communion (See page 295 in the hymnal for **Christian Questions** to prepare for Holy Communion.)

The Sacrament

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Preface

CW 165



It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who by his willing sacrifice on the cross took away the sins of the world and by his glorious resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he,
 bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Words of Institution

St. Mathew 26:26-30; St. Mark 14:22-24; St. Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-35

During the Institution of the Sacrament, the pastor lifts the host (body of Christ). This proclaims St. John 3:14, "Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up." The raising of the chalice proclaims Psalm 116:13, "I will lift up the cup of salvation, and I will call on the name of the LORD."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

CW 169

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - - men.

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some phrases marked with slurs. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Be seated

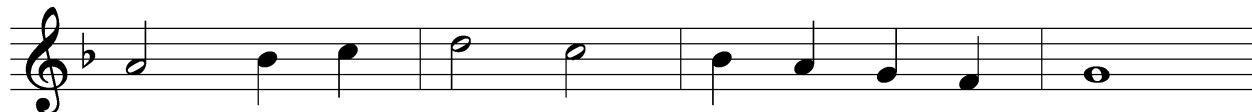
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661 Draw Near and Take the Body of Your Lord

CW 661



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of your Lord,
 2 Christ our Re - deem - er, God's e - ter - nal Son,
 3 Let us ap - proach with faith - ful hearts sin - cere
 4 With heav'n - ly bread he makes the hun - gry whole,



and drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured.
 has by his cross and blood the vic - t'ry won.
 and take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.
 gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.



Saved by his bod - y and his ho - ly blood,
 He gave his life for great - est and for least,
 Christ, who in this life all the saints de - fends,
 Lord of the na - tions, to whom all must bow.



with souls re - freshed we give our thanks to God.
 him - self the of - f'ring and him - self the priest.
 gives all be - liev - ers life that nev - er ends.
 in this great feast of love be with us now.

Text: tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.; Latin, 7th cent., abr.
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573 Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness

CW 573



1 Je - sus, your blood and right - eous - ness my beau - ty
 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day; who can a
 3 Lord, I be - lieve your pre - cious blood, which at the
 4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; mid flam - ing worlds, in
word a - gainst me say? Ful - ly ab - solved through
ver - y throne of God pleads for the cap - tives'
on the o - cean shore, you have for all a



these ar - rayed, with joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
lib - er - ty, was al - so shed in love for me.
ran - som paid, for all a full a - tone - ment made.

- 5 When from the dust of death I rise
to claim my mansion in the skies,
this then shall be my only plea:
Jesus has lived and died for me.
- 6 Jesus, be worshiped endlessly!
Your boundless mercy has for me,
for me and all your hands have made,
an everlasting ransom paid.

Text: tr. John B. Wesley, 1703–1791, alt.; Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760, abr. Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816–1893. Text and tune: Public domain

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift.
We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our
love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

Amen.

927 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

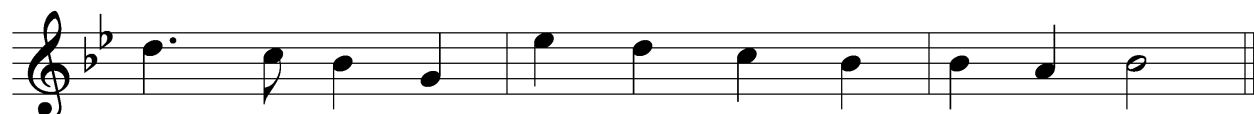
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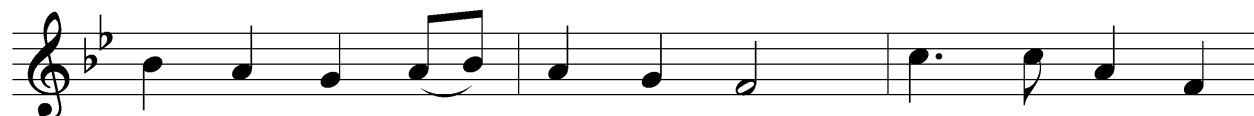
1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for the gos - pel's
3 So when - e'er the sig - nal's giv - en us from earth to



joy and peace. Let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion
call a - way, borne on an - gels' wings to heav - en,



O re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er reign with Christ in end - less day.



tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,
in our hearts and lives a - bound! Ev - er faith - ful,
glad the sum - mons to o - bey, may we ev - er,

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A Welcome to Our Guests

If you're visiting today, we're especially glad to have you with us.

Here are some further ways to connect with our congregation:

- Sign the guest register in the narthex so that we know you came to visit.
- Scan the code to get to our website and learn more about us.
- Speak with Pastor Reckzin, Deacon Lambrecht, or any of our members.
We're happy to answer questions or talk with you more!



Daily Lectionary Readings + April 14 - 20

Let your faith flourish with these daily readings! Use the questions as prompts to meditate more deeply on passages from the Word of God. These are also sent out by email every Sunday. If you would like to be on the list, please contact Deacon Lambrecht.

Sun Apr 14

Exodus 32:15-35

In what ways was Aaron responsible for the sins of the Israelite people?

Luke 6:39-49

What is the antidote to hypocrisy?

Mon Apr 15

Exodus 33:1-23

God tells Moses that no one can see his glory and live. How does this point ahead to Jesus Christ?

Luke 7:1-17

Why does Jesus commend the faith of the centurion so highly?

Tue Apr 16

Exodus 34:1-28

What does God mean when he says that he “calls the children to the account of their fathers...to the third and fourth generation?” (v 7)

Luke 7:18-35

To what does Jesus compare himself in order to demonstrate that he is the Messiah?

Wed Apr 17

Exodus 34:29-35:21

Why does Moses veil his face after telling the people what God has commanded?

Luke 7:36-50

To the dismay of the Pharisee hosting Jesus, he allows an unclean person to touch him, and he forgives her sins. How is this a comfort to us when we are weighed down with guilt?

Thur Apr 18

Exodus 38:21-39:8, 27-31

Why do the people make special clothing for Aaron and his sons? Of what importance is this to you? (see I Peter 2:9-11)

Luke 8:1-21

What is Jesus referring to when he says, “to the one who has, more will be given?” (v 18)

Fri Apr 19

Exodus 39:32-40:16

How do God’s detailed instructions for the tabernacle demonstrate his grace and mercy toward his people?

Luke 8:22-39

Compare the demons’ reaction to Jesus’ arrival to that of the Gentiles living in the region.

Sat Apr 20

Exodus 40:17-38

The glory of the LORD fills the tabernacle. How does the LORD reveal his glory in his church today?

Luke 8:40-56

How did the woman whom Jesus healed demonstrate faith in him?

Parish News

Sermons: Want to revisit messages you hear in church? Here's how to get them:

- Pick up a hard copy in the narthex (in the shelf beneath the signup sheets)
- Read, hear or watch it at stjohnsoakwood.org/worship. Recorded versions are usually available every Sunday.
- Find all videos at our YouTube channel (@stjohnslutheran2392)

Prayer Requests. This week, please remember in your prayers:

- Family and friends of **Jackie Balistreri**, who was called home Apr 4
- **Beverly Biba**, who is having continued complications due to hip surgery
- Our shut-ins, **Donna Glidden, Janice Willms, Marlene Mueller,** and **Paul & Rose Harvey**

If you have a request, please fill out a card in the narthex or speak with Pastor.

Offerings: There are multiple ways to give an offering! You can:

- Mail your offering to the church address
- Drop your offering in the box when you're here
- Give electronically by scanning the code or visiting

stjohnsoakwood.org/give.



WELS Women's Ministry Conference: You're invited to this year's conference, *Empowered to Proclaim*, held July 28-30 at the Ingleside Hotel in Waukesha. Join women from WELS churches across the country to be empowered in the faith. To register or learn more, go to <https://welswmconference.net/>. Deadline for registration is May 31.



Northwestern Publishing House has all kinds of materials available for Easter and beyond: confirmation gifts, devotionals, music, and much more. There are flyers in the narthex with more information. You can also go to nph.net to find the full range of resources NPH offers.

Swap Meet: Our annual swap meet began April 7 and will run for the duration of the month. If you would like to participate, you can bring your items to the Sunday School room in the basement. See Erika Bahr with questions.

Anniversary Concert: As a part of their year long 175th anniversary celebration, First Ev. Lutheran Church in Racine will host the Laudamus Lutheran Chorale of

Southeastern Wisconsin on Sun April 21 at 3:00 pm with a bratwurst dinner to follow. Learn more at firstracine.org/page/175th-anniversary.

Lawn Care: Signups are now available for lawn care volunteering, both in the narthex and online at stjohnsoakwood.org/connect. If you have questions, please speak with Mike Havey or Deacon Lambrecht.

Serving St. John's in April

Chancel:

Karen Borchardt (Thurs Setup)
 Roni Block (Thurs Takedown)
 Sharen Demski (Sun Setup)
 Deb Gramza/LuAnn Matyas
 (Sun Takedown)

Organists:

Daniel Baker (Apr 4 & 7)
 Daniel Baker (Apr 11 & 14)
 Lisa Reckzin (Apr 18 & 21)
 Daniel Baker (Apr 25 & 28)

Ushers:

Art Kruegel (Thurs)
 Dennis Cowan (Sun)
 Chad Frank (Sun)

Counters:

Dennis & Janis Cowan (Apr 7)
 LuAnn Matyas & Roni Block (Apr 21)

Sunday School Teachers:

Jamie Dropik (Apr 7)
 Karen Borchardt (Apr 14)
 Chad Frank (Apr 21)
 Daniel Baker (Apr 28)

Coming Up at St. John's

Thur (Apr 11)	Divine Service w/Holy Communion	6:30 PM
Sun (Apr 14)	Divine Service w/Holy Communion	9:00 AM
	Bible Class & Sunday School	10:15 AM
Mon (Apr 15)	Catechism	6:00 PM
Tue (Apr 16)	Bible Class	10:30 AM
Thur (Apr 18)	Divine Service w/Holy Communion	6:30 PM
Sun (Apr 21)	Divine Service w/Holy Communion	9:00 AM
	Bible Class & Sunday School	10:15 AM