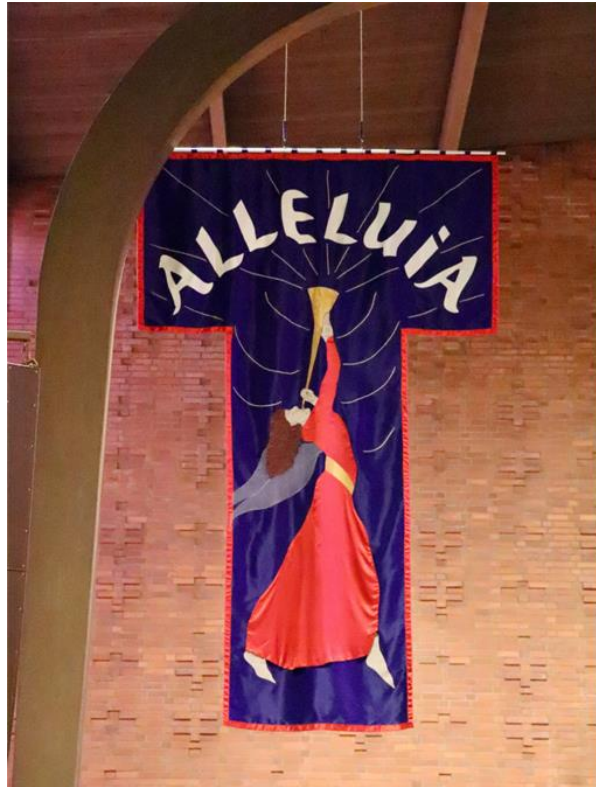


Third Sunday of Easter  
April 14, 2024  
8:30 Worship



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## Welcome to Worship!

**Central Lutheran Church**, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Oregon Synod, is a Reconciling in Christ community: We affirm that Christ has made us one body with many members, all sharing in God's wondrous grace and unconditional love.

**We celebrate** both the human variation and inclusive unity of God's family. Following Jesus' example, we embrace all of God's people regardless of ethnicity, physical and mental abilities, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic circumstance. With welcoming hearts, we invite you to join us in worship, fellowship, and ministry.

**Our mission** is to be the hands and feet of Jesus by loving God and one another, nurturing faithful living, serving those in need, and sharing the Gospel.

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

The Carillon

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

### **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM** *(please stand as you are able)*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.  
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.  
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as your beloved children, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through our Risen Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

## ENTRANCE HYMN #391 This Joyful Eastertide



1. This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, A - way with sin and sor -  
 2. Death's flood has lost its chill, since Je - sus crossed the riv -  
 3. My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a sea - son slum -



row! my love, the Cru - ci - fied, Has sprung to life this  
 er: Lord of all life, from ill my pass - ing life de -  
 ber, till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in



mor - row. Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst his  
 liv - er,  
 num - ber.



three-day pris - on. Our faith had been in vain. But now has Christ a -



ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en; a - ris - en!

## GREETING

The grace of the Risen Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## UKRANIAN KYRIE



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.



Ky - ri - e e - le - - - i - son.  
 Chris - te e - le - - - i - son.

*Translation: Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy*

Ukrainian Orthodox

# GLORIA

Organ

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-  
mighty God and Fa-ther, we worship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the  
Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; You are seat-ed at the  
right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. Organ

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,  
you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High,  
Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit,  
in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - - - men.



<sup>3</sup>Know that the Lord does wonders | for the faithful; the Lord will hear me | when I call.

<sup>4</sup>**Tremble, then, and | do not sin; speak to your heart in silence up- | on your bed.**

<sup>5</sup>Offer the appointed | sacrifices, and put your trust | in the Lord.

<sup>6</sup>**Many are saying, “Who will show us | any good?”**

**Let the light of your face shine upon | us, O Lord.**

<sup>7</sup>You have put gladness | in my heart, more than when grain and | wine abound.

<sup>8</sup>**In peace, I will lie | down and sleep;**

**for you alone, O Lord, make me | rest secure.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the | Holy Spirit.

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be fore- | ver. Amen.**

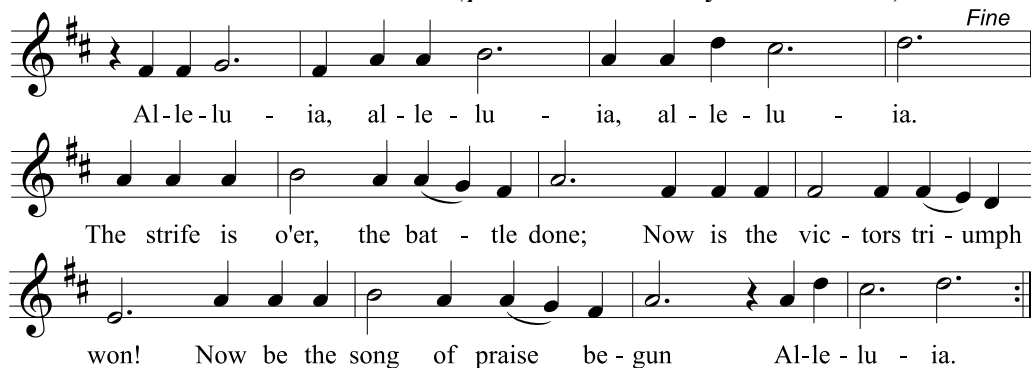
**ANTHEM**    *Stay with Us* - Pelz    Chorale with Andy Strietelmeier, Violin

## **SECOND READING    1 John 3:1-7**

*God has loved us in order to make us children of God. Though we do not yet know the full details of our future existence, we trust that God will reveal it just as God revealed Jesus to take away our sins.*

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. <sup>4</sup>Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(please stand as you are able)*



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

The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; Now is the vic - tors tri - umph

won! Now be the song of praise be - gun Al-le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL Luke 24:36b-48

The Gospel according to Luke, the 24th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>36b</sup>Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, “Peace be with you.” <sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate in their presence. <sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things.”

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

SERMON

Pastor Laurie A. Jones



# HYMN OF THE DAY #377 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen! *(please stand)*



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,

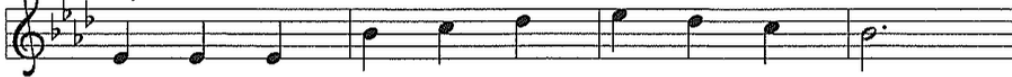


Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
 break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:  
 heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,  
 Cher - u - bim sing; O grave, be o - pen!  
 riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



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!

## **NICENE CREED**

With the whole church, let us profess our Christian faith using the words of 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, 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped 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. *(please be seated)***

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

### **PEACE**

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

### **OUR LIFE TOGETHER**

## OFFERING

*You may bring your offering forward during communion to place in the plate.*

## ANTHEM

*Be Thou My Vision*

Chorale

## OFFERTORY PRAYER *(please stand as you are able)*

Let us pray. 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 Risen Lord and Savior. **Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

## PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Organ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry.  
Hos-an-na in the highest. Organ Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Hos-an-na in the high-est.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four staves. The first staff begins with an organ introduction of four measures. The second staff continues the organ introduction and then features a vocal line. The third staff continues the organ introduction and then features a vocal line. The fourth staff continues the organ introduction and then features a vocal line. The organ introduction is marked 'Organ' and the vocal lines are marked 'Hos-an-na in the highest' and 'Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hos-an-na in the high-est.'

## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**✠ Christ has died. ✠ Christ is Risen. ✠ Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

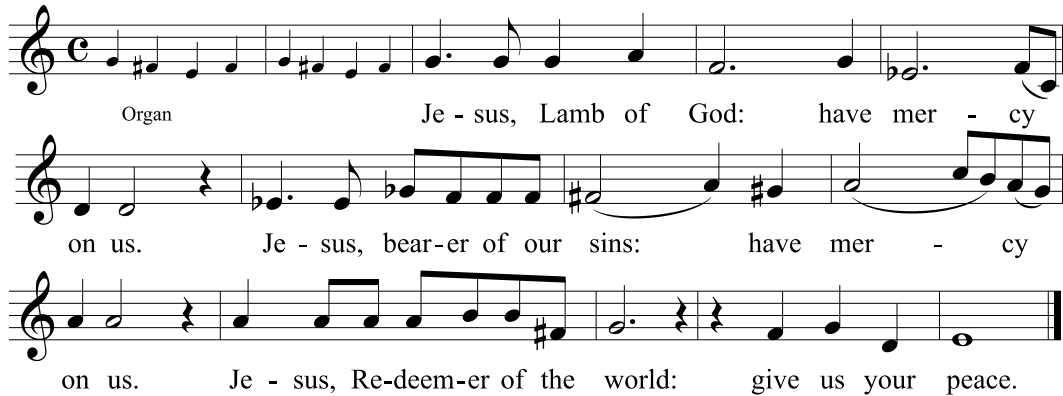
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.**

*Amen. (please be seated)*

## **COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS**

## **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

## LAMB OF GOD



Organ Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy  
on us. Je - sus, bear-er of our sins: have mer - cy  
on us. Je - sus, Re-deem-er of the world: give us your peace.

## BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION *(please stand as you are able)*

The body and blood of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

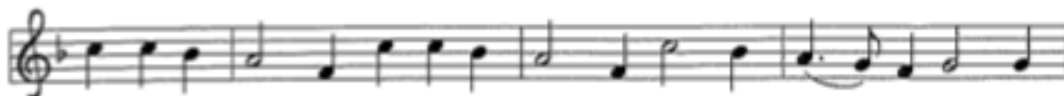
## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our Risen Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

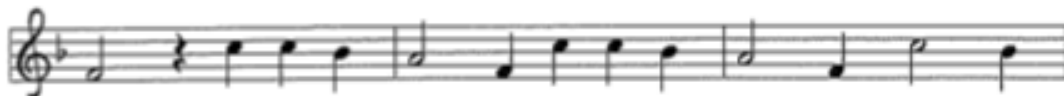
## BENEDICTION

The blessing of the living God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage. **Amen.**

## HYMN Day of Delight (In dir ist Freude)



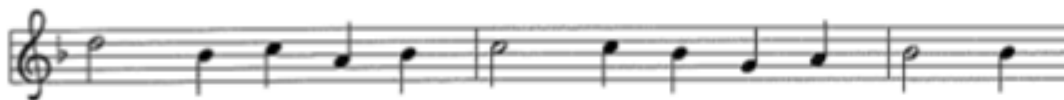
1 Day of de - light and beau - ty un - bound - ed, tell the news, the gos - pel  
2 Day of de - light and beau - ty un - bound - ed, tell the news, the gos - pel



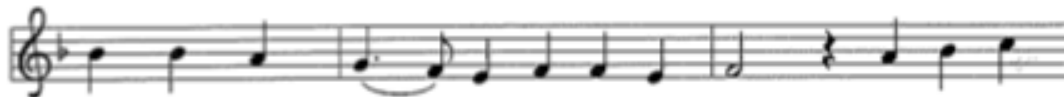
spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ  
spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ



ris - en from the dead! Sing of the sun from dark - ness ap -  
ris - en from the dead! Sing now of mourn - ing turned in - to



pear - ing; sing of the seed from bar - ren earth green - ing;  
danc - ing; sing now the mys - t'ry, hope of our glo - ry;



sing of cre - a - tion, al - le - lu - ia! Sing of the  
sing with thanks - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia! Sing now of



stream from Je - sus' side flow - ing; sing of the saints in  
fast - ing turned in - to feast - ing; sing the Lord's fa - vor



wa - ter made ho - ly; sing of sal - va - tion, al - le - lu - ia!  
last - ing for - ev - er; sing, all things liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

## **DISMISSAL**

Christ is risen! Alleluia! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**  
Go in peace. Serve the Risen Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

*We invite you to remain seated through the voluntary; however, if you choose to depart, we kindly ask you to do so in silence.*

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY** *In dir ist Freude (In Thee is Gladness)*      Bach

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**Our Together Tuesday** community meal begins at 5:15pm, followed by Music Together, Children’s Choir / Junior Cantors Rehearsal, and Adult Education at 6pm.

**In honor of Earth Day and Interfaith Climate Action Week**, Central will be hosting a screening of the film “Common Ground” on Sunday, April 21st at 6:30pm. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. All are welcome.

**Thank you for worshiping with us today.** If you currently do not receive Central’s Weekly Events or monthly Centralite via email, and you wish to receive it directly to your inbox, please fill out a pew card and we will gladly add you to our email listserv. Or, if you prefer communications be mailed to your home via USPS, please let us know.

**Registration is open for Vacation Bible School** for children ages 3yrs. – 5th grade, for members and friends of Central, United, & Emmaus (CUE). Once again it will be hosted at Central Monday-Friday, June 24th-28th, from 9am-noon. Call or text Crystal Miller (503-320-4055) to find out more. Middle School & High School youth and adult volunteers are also needed.