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## **Introduction**

Jesus does not abandon his followers.

Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus comes to abide with his disciples of every generation.

As Pentecost draws near, we are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth.

We receive this Spirit in baptism and pray that in our gathering around the Lord's table the Spirit will transform us to be the body of the risen Christ in the world.

**Prelude**

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WELCOME TO  
**WORSHIP**



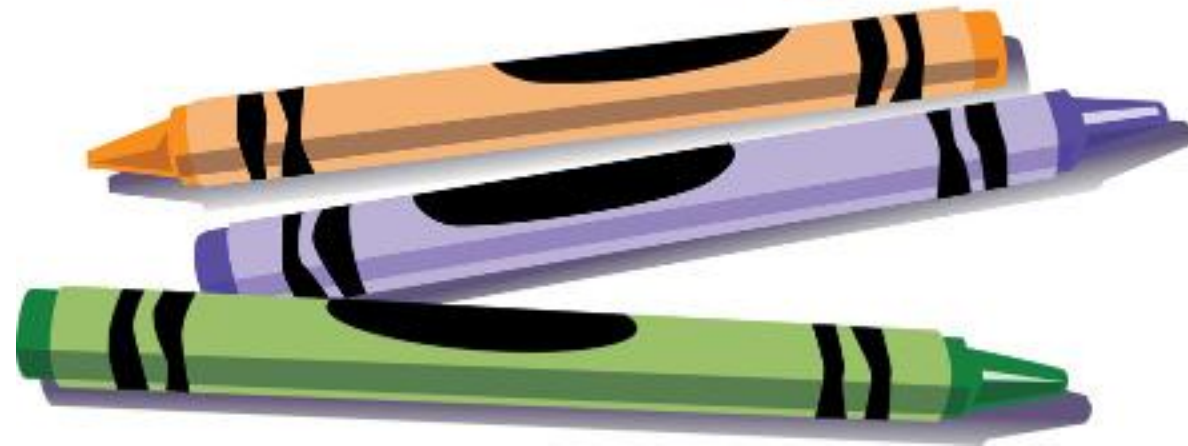
# *Anthem Chorale*





HAPPY  
*Mother's Day*

# Children's Message



***You May Stand or Sit***

***Congregational responses are in bold***

In the name of the Father, and the † Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit, **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation,  
come to the help of your people,  
turning us from our sin to live for you alone.

Give us the power of your Holy Spirit  
that we may confess our sin,  
receive your forgiveness, and  
grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of  
God and one another.

Gracious God, **have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we have turned from you  
and given ourselves into the power of sin.**

**We are truly sorry and humbly repent.**

**In your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown, things we have done  
and things we have failed to do.**

**Turn us again to you, and uphold us by  
your Spirit, so that we may live and serve  
you in newness of life through Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ,  
your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit,  
that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**Amen.**

**Alleluia! Jesus is risen!**

**Trumpets resounding in glorious light!**

**Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!**

**Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!**

**Jesus is risen and we shall arise.**

**Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

**Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent:  
death put asunder, and Easter is bright.**

**Cherubim sing: "O grave, be open!"  
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light.**

**Jesus is risen and we shall arise.**

**Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

**City of God, Easter forever,  
golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,  
river of life, saints and archangels,  
sing with creation to God the I AM!**

**Jesus is risen and we shall arise.  
Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

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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.

**And also with you.**

**Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,  
Lord have mercy.**

**Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,  
Lord have mercy.**

**Take our sin and heal our shame,  
renew in us your grace.**

**Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,  
Lord have mercy.**

**In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;  
in my life, Lord, be glorified today.**

**In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;  
in our song, Lord, be glorified today.**

**In your church, Lord, be glorified,  
be glorified;  
in your church, Lord, be glorified today.**

**Prayer of the Day (in unison)**

**Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, 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:**

***Ezekiel 43:1-7a***

<sup>1</sup>Then he brought me to the gate, the gate facing east. <sup>2</sup>And there the glory of the God of Israel was coming from the east; the sound was like the sound of mighty waters, and the earth shone with his glory. <sup>3</sup>The vision I saw was like the vision that I had seen when he came to destroy the city and like the vision that I had seen by the River Chebar, and I fell upon my face. <sup>4</sup>As the glory of the Lord entered the temple by the gate facing east, <sup>5</sup>the spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court, and the glory of the Lord filled the temple.

<sup>6</sup>While the man was standing beside me, I heard someone speaking to me out of the temple.

<sup>7a</sup>He said to me: “Mortal, this is the place of my throne and the place for the soles of my feet, where I will reside among the people of Israel forever.”

**Psalm:**

***Psalm 115***

<sup>1</sup>Not to us, O Lord, not to us,  
but to your name give glory; because of your  
steadfast love and faithfulness.

<sup>2</sup>**Why should the nations say,  
"Where then is their God?"**

<sup>3</sup>Our God is in heaven;  
whatever God wills, God does.

<sup>4</sup>**Their idols are silver and gold,  
the work of human hands.**

<sup>5</sup>They have mouths, but they cannot speak;  
eyes they have, but they cannot see;

<sup>6</sup>**they have ears but they cannot hear; noses,  
but they cannot smell;**

<sup>7</sup>they have hands, but they cannot feel;  
feet, but they cannot walk;  
they make no sound with their throat.

<sup>8</sup>**Those who make them are like them,  
and so are all who put their trust in them.**

<sup>9</sup>O Israel, trust in the Lord,  
who is your help and your shield.

<sup>10</sup>**O house of Aaron, trust in the Lord,  
who is your help and your shield.**

<sup>11</sup>You that fear the Lord, trust in the Lord,  
who is your help and your shield.

<sup>12</sup>**The Lord has been mindful of us,  
and will bless us; the Lord will bless the  
house of Israel and the house of Aaron;**

**1<sup>3</sup>those who fear the Lord will be blessed,  
both small and great together.**

**1<sup>4</sup>May the Lord increase you more and  
more, you and your children after you.**

**1<sup>5</sup>May you be blessed by the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth.**

**1<sup>6</sup>Heaven is the heaven of the Lord, but the  
earth God entrusted to its peoples.**

<sup>17</sup>The dead do not praise the Lord, nor all those  
who go down into silence;

<sup>18</sup>**but we will bless the Lord,  
from this time forth forevermore.  
Hallelujah!**

**Second Reading:**

***1 Peter 3:13-22***

**<sup>13</sup>Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame.**

**<sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil.**

**<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water.**

<sup>21</sup>And baptism, which this prefigured,  
now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the  
body but as an appeal to God for a good  
conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,  
<sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand  
of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made  
subject to him.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*“Here We Come”*

*(Mark Anzelon)*

**Here we come, here we stand,  
broken lives, needful hands;  
to be washed by Your word;**

**May our voices be heard as we sing  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

# *Gospel:*

The Gospel according to  
John, the fourteenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>15</sup>“If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

<sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever.

<sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you.

<sup>19</sup>In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live.

<sup>20</sup>On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

<sup>21</sup>They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**



**Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter ev'ry trembling heart.**

**Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit  
into ev'ry troubled breast;  
let us all in thee inherit;  
let us find thy promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning,  
set our hearts at liberty.**

**Come, Almighty, to deliver;  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.**

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

**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.**

**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. Amen.**

## **Prayers of the People**

**Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection  
to heal and redeem our broken world,  
let us pray for the needs of all creation.**

Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

God of resurrection power,  
use us and these prayers to proclaim the  
good news of new life to all the world,  
through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.  
**Amen.**

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

Sharing the Peace:  
The peace of the Lord be with you,  
And also with you.

**Offering for the mission  
of the church,  
including the care  
of those in need.**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given  
Jesus Christ, his Son.**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given  
Jesus Christ, his Son.**

**And now let the weak say, “I am strong,”  
let the poor say, “I am rich,”  
because of what the Lord has done for us.**

**And now let the weak say, “I am strong,”  
let the poor say, “I am rich,”  
because of what the Lord has done for us.  
Give thanks!**

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## *Offering Prayer*

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor,  
gathered to give you glory.

You have set a table before us,  
a glimpse of that great day when  
we will hunger and thirst no more.

Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,  
that goodness and mercy may follow us  
and bless the world you love.

In the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

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 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ.  
You call your people to cleanse their hearts  
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,  
That renewed in the gift of baptism, we may  
come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the  
church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy;  
Holy, holy, holy;  
Holy, holy, holy,  
Lord most high.**

**You alone are holy,  
You alone are worthy,  
Merciful and mighty,  
Holy, holy, Lord.**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread,  
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.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,  
Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be  
your name, your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory  
are yours, now and forever. Amen**

# **Invitation to Communion**

**Come to the table of new life.  
Receive the risen Lord.**

*Red Wine and White Grape Juice are offered  
Gluten-free is available*

*Lamb of God*

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world;  
Have mercy on us,  
mercy on us, mercy on us;**

**Lamb of God,  
you are the way of mercy and love;  
Have mercy on us,  
mercy on us, mercy on us;**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world  
Grant us peace,  
grant us peace,  
grant us peace.**

*(From "Now the Feast and Celebration" by Marty Haugen)*

## *Prayer after Communion*

Holy One,  
through this meal you have made your home  
among us and are making all things new.  
Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,  
to love our enemies, and to bring  
your healing to the nations.  
In the name of Jesus,  
**Amen.**

**You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in this shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge,  
my rock in whom I trust!"**

**"And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of my hand."**

**Snares of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear;  
under God's wings your refuge,  
with faithfulness your shield.**

**“And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of my hand.”**

**For to the angels God's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

**“And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of my hand.”**

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## **Welcome and Announcements**

Altar Guild: **GariLynn Hiscott**

Communion Server: **Renee Brandt**

Fellowship: **Janet Cassidy**

Lector: **Ellen Harrington**

TMT: **GariLynn & Greg Hiscott**

Usher/Greeter: **Jim Goris**



**Rayne Cumberworth – May 11**

**Marcy Anzelon – May 12**

## **Blessing and Dismissal**

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,  
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,  
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,  
✠ bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Postlude**

**Katherine Frantsen**