

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: I cry to You, O Lord;

People: in the morning my prayer comes before You. Psalm 88:13

Pastor: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

People: and uphold me with a willing spirit. Psalm 51:12

Pastor: My mouth is filled with Your praise,

People: and with Your glory all the day. *Psalm 71:8*

Pastor: Every day I will bless You

People: and praise Your name forever and ever. *Psalm 145:2*

Pastor: By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness,

People: O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of

the farthest seas. Psalm 65:5

Pastor: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

People: and all that is within me, bless His holy name! Psalm 103:1

Pastor: He redeems Your life from the pit

People: and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy. Psalm 103:4

Pastor: Hear my prayer, O Lord;

People: let my cry come to You. Psalm 102:1

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Pastor: Let us pray together.

People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead

us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His

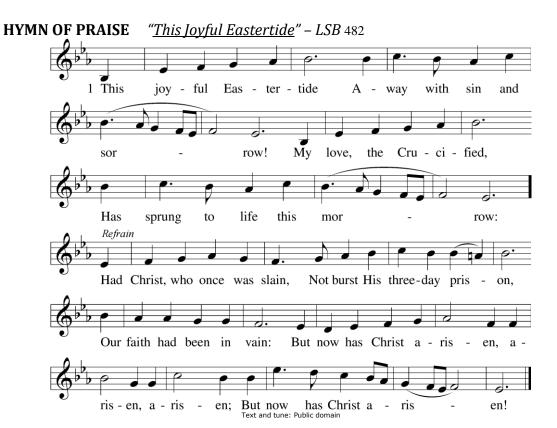
sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the

name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my

heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my

Redeemer. Amen.



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen

world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

NEW TESTAMENT: ACTS 3:11-21

While the lame man who was healed was holding on to Peter and John, all the people, utterly astonished, ran toward them in what is called Solomon's Colonnade. ¹² When Peter saw this, he addressed the people: "Fellow Israelites, why are you amazed at this? Why do you stare at us, as though we had made him walk by our own power or godliness? ¹³ The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied before Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴ You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer released to you. ¹⁵ You killed the source of life, whom God raised from the dead; we are witnesses of this. ¹⁶ By faith in his name, his name has made this man strong, whom you see and know. So the faith that comes through Jesus has given him this perfect health in front of all of you.

¹⁷ "And now, brothers and sisters, I know that you acted in ignorance, just as your leaders also did. ¹⁸ In this way God fulfilled what he had predicted through all the prophets—that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹ Therefore repent and turn back, so that your sins may be wiped out, ²⁰ that seasons of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send Jesus, who has been appointed for you as the Messiah. ²¹ Heaven must receive him until the time of the restoration of all things, which God spoke about through his holy prophets from the beginning."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE: 1 JOHN 3:1-7

See what great love the Father has given us that we should be called God's children—and we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it didn't know him. ² Dear friends, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet been revealed. We know that when he appears, we will be like him because we will see him as he is. ³ And everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself just as he is pure.

⁴ Everyone who commits sin practices lawlessness; and sin is lawlessness. ⁵ You know that he was revealed so that he might take away sins, and there is no sin in him. ⁶ Everyone who remains in him does not sin; everyone who sins has not seen him or known him.

⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



THE HOLY GOSPEL: LUKE 24:36-49

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

As they were saying these things, Jesus himself stood in their midst. He said to them, "Peace to you!" ³⁷ But they were startled and terrified and thought they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸ "Why are you troubled?" he asked them. "And why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself! Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." ⁴⁰ Having said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹ But while they still were amazed and in disbelief because of their joy, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" ⁴² So they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴ Jesus told 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." ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He also said to them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for forgiveness of sins will be proclaimed in his name to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And look, I am sending you what my Father promised. As for you, stay in the city until you are empowered from on high."

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 SERMON

Psalm 4:8: "I will both lie down and sleep in peace, for you alone, LORD, make me live in safety."

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O God, hear the prayers and petitions of Your people. We do not make requests of You because we are righteous, but because of Your great mercy (Daniel 9:18).

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, in Your presence we find fullness of joy, and by Your right hand, Christ Jesus, You win and deliver peace forevermore. In the midst of this world's sins and sorrows, give us peace in the knowledge of His salvation and confident hope in the resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give peace, Lord, to our homes and enliven them by Christ's

resurrected life. Let the forgiveness of sins reign among husbands and wives, parents and children. Assure those who feel alone or lonely that they, too, are Your children, upheld by Your right hand. Lord, in

Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, preserve our nation and its leaders, especially our

president, and our governor. Grant those in positions of authority wisdom, clarity of mind, and humility to lead. Preserve order and decency in this fallen world by their hands and restrain the sins and deceptions of the lawless, so that we may live Godly and peace-filled

lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Pour out Your peace upon Jerusalem; end the hatred that brings war

among nations – in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, and wherever evil in men's hearts causes the innocent to lose their lives. Protect children, infants, the weak, the infirm, the elderly and all who are caught in the midst of war. Cover all who suffer with Your grace and peace. And grant Your divine protection to those serving in our armed forces; may You be their Shield and Defender in all circumstances Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of all comfort, You have compassion on those who are afflicted.

Remember and have mercy on those we name in our hearts and all those in need of Your healing and deliverance. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting

in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

OFFERTORY "Be still, and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

The Offertory is a brief musical interlude in keeping with the theme of today's worship. You may choose to use this moment to consider how to support Zion's ministries and mission, either through the collection plate as you exit the church or electronically on our web site: zionhinsdale.org. Click "On-Line Giving" at the top of the home page.

Your prayerful support along with your tithes and offerings help further Zion's ministries and are most appreciated. To God be the glory!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Almighty God, we give You thanks for blessing us with various and

unique gifts of the Holy Spirit. Grow us in the knowledge that all we possess is from Your loving hand and give us grace so that we may

honor You with all we own; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: 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.

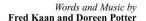
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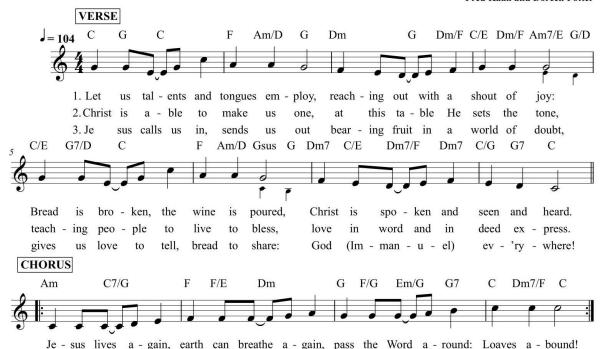
Pastor: Let us bless the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God!

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and # give you peace.

People: Amen.





POSTLUDE

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