

+ DIVINE SERVICE +

HYMN

"The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done" - LSB 464

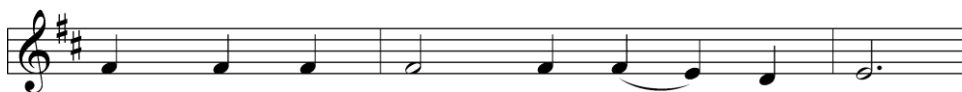
Refrain



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



1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;
2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst,
5 Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed Thee,



Now is the vic - tor's tri - umph won;
But Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed.
From death's dread sting Thy ser - vants free

The Refrain is repeated after st. 5.



Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
That we may live and sing to Thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

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+ 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: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, calling upon Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

People: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,

People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: **I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, and I confess to You all my sins with which I have ever offended You. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious to me, a poor sinful being.**

Pastor: Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to each of you and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE *"This is the Feast" - LSB 155*

Refrain

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a common time signature (C) and contains the melody for the first line of the refrain. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

☐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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





1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb ——— who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

NEW TESTAMENT: ACTS 4:32-35

The entire group of those who believed were of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but instead they held everything in common. ³³With great power the apostles were giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was on all of them. ³⁴For there was not a needy person among them because all those who owned lands or houses sold them, brought the proceeds of what was sold, ³⁵and laid them at the apostles' feet. This was then distributed to each person as any had need. *(CSB)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE: 1 JOHN 1:1 – 2:2

What was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have observed and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— ²that life was revealed, and we have seen it and we testify and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— ³what we have seen and heard we also declare to you, so that you may also have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. ⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light, and there is absolutely no darkness in him. ⁶If we say, “We have fellowship with him,” and yet we walk in darkness, we are lying and are not practicing the truth. ⁷If we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say, “We have no sin,” we are deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say, “We have not sinned,” we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing you these things so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ the righteous

one. ² He himself is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours, but also for those of the whole world. (CSB)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA/VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

When it was evening on that first day of the week, the disciples were gathered together with the doors locked because they feared the Jews. Jesus came, stood among them, and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

²⁰ Having said this, he showed them his hands and his side. So the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

²¹ Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, I also send you.” ²² After saying this, he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

²⁴ But Thomas (called “Twin”), one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples were telling him, “We’ve seen the Lord!” But he said to them, “If I don’t see the mark of the nails in his hands, put my finger into the mark of the nails, and put my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

²⁶ A week later his disciples were indoors again, and Thomas was with them. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”

²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and look at my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Don’t be faithless, but believe.”

²⁸ Thomas responded to him, “My Lord and my God!”

²⁹ Jesus said, “Because you have seen me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.”

³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. *(CSB)*

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, *(Romans 10:10; Exodus 20:2-3; Deuteronomy 6:4)*
the Father Almighty, *(Matthew 6:9; Genesis 35:11; Exodus 6:3)*
maker of heaven and earth *(Genesis 1:1; Isaiah 44:24; John 1:1)*
and of all things visible and invisible. *(Colossians 1:16; Romans 1:20; Hebrews 11:3)*

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, *(Romans 10:9; 2 Corinthians 1:3)*
the only-begotten Son of God, *(John 3:16; Matthew 16:16; Hebrews 1:5-6)*
begotten of His Father before all worlds, *(John 1:2; Revelation 1:8)*
God of God, Light of Light, *(John 17:22; John 8:12; John 1:1)*
very God of very God, *(Colossians 2:9; 1 John 5:20)*
begotten, not made, *(John 1:2)*
being of one substance with the Father, *(John 10:30; Colossians 2:9)*
by Whom all things were made; *(Hebrews 1:2; John 1:3; Ephesians 3:9; Colossians 1:15-17)*
Who for us men and for our salvation *(1 Timothy 2:4; Romans 3:23; Acts 4:12)*
came down from heaven *(John 6:41; Luke 15:20; John 6:38, 41)*
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary *(Luke 1:34-35; Matthew 1:18)*
and was made man; *(John 1:14; Philippians 2:6-7)*
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. *(Mark 15:25; John 19:16-18; Acts 2:36)*
He suffered and was buried. *(John 19:1-3; Luke 23:53; Matthew 16:21)*
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
(1 Corinthians 15:4; Luke 24:6)
and ascended into heaven *(Acts 1:9; 1 Timothy 3:16)*
and sits at the right hand of the Father. *(Mark 16:19; Acts 7:55; 1 Peter 3:21-22)*
And He will come again with glory *(Matthew 26:64; Acts 1:10-11; Revelation 1:7)*
to judge both the living and the dead, *(Acts 10:42; Matthew 3:12)*

Whose kingdom will have no end. (*Luke 1:33; 2 Peter 1:11*)

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, (*John 14:26; Genesis 1:2; Acts 2:38*)

the Lord and giver of life, (*Genesis 1:2; John 3:5-6; Titus 3:5*)

Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, (*John 15:26; Luke 11:13*)

Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

(*Matthew 3:16-17; Luke 2:14*)

Who spoke by the prophets. (*Ezekiel 11:5; 2 Peter 1:20-21*)

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

(*1 Peter 2:5; Ephesians 2:19-22; 4:1-6*)

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

(*Ephesians 4:5; Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21*)

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

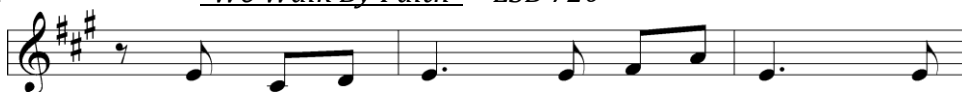
(*1 Corinthians 15:35-49; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*)

and the life + of the world to come. (*Mark 10:29-30; Matthew 10:40-42*)

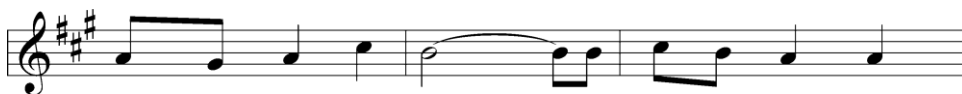
Amen. (*Psalms 106:48*)

HYMN

"We Walk By Faith" - LSB 720



1 We walk by faith and not by sight, No
2 We may not touch His hands and side, Nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And
4 For You, O res - ur - rect - ed Lord, Are
5 Lord, when our life of faith is done, In



gra - cious words we hear From Him who spoke as
fol - low where He trod; But in His prom - ise
may our faith a - bound To call on You when
found in means di - vine: Be - neath the wa - ter
realms of clear - er light We may be - hold You



none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve Him near.
we re - joice And cry "My Lord and God!"
You are near And seek where You are found.
and the Word, Be - neath the bread and wine.
as You are, With full and end - less sight.

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THE SERMON

1 John 1:3: “Our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.” (CSB)

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.

Grant to us Your people, the gift of the Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above. Fill us with Your grace so that we may faithfully fulfill our holy calling where You have placed us. Increase in us the knowledge that we are united with each other in the common life and love of our Savior. Bless us with bold confidence so that we would share that life and love with those in need and with those in our midst. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: You have instituted authorities to carry out Your justice. Bless all who make, administer and judge the laws of our land. Give them wisdom, integrity, humility, and honor to serve according to Your good will. 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: As Your Son’s wounds brought gladness and peace to the troubled disciples, give Your presence and comfort to the troubled in our midst, especially.... Comfort all that we name in our heart with the blessed joy of Easter morning. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that out of Your indescribable grace, for the sake of Your Son, You have given us the Holy Gospel and instituted the blessed Sacraments, that through them we may have comfort and the forgiveness of sin. Stir up in us Your Holy Spirit, that we

may heartily believe Your Word, and through the Holy Sacraments establish our faith day by day, until at last we obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

OFFERTORY HYMN

“Shalom”

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!

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI = *The Peace of the Lord*

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And with your spirit.**

AGNUS DEI LSB 163

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

Our belief and practice concerning Holy Communion is written on page 2 of this worship folder. Reception of Communion indicates that you share our confession.

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HYMN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" - LSB 411



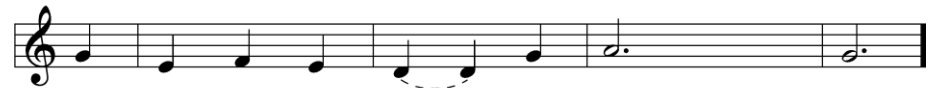
1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to look at Je - sus.
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world.
Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,
When we have run with pa - tience the race,



The star of my life is Je - sus.
And show me the way to the Fa - ther.
We shall know the joy of Je - sus.



Refrain
In Him there is no dark - ness at all.



The night and the day are both a - like.



The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.



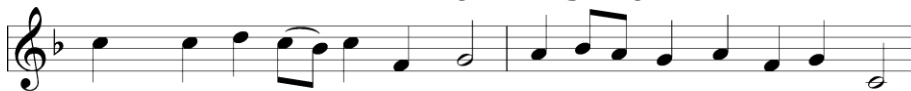
Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & RESPONSE

Pastor: The body and blood of the Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith to life everlasting. Depart with joy and with confidence † in His peace.

People: **Amen.**

THANK THE LORD LSB 164



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

BENEDICTION

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.**

HYMN

"We Know that Christ is Raised" – LSB 603



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in His sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.



Em-braced by death, He broke its fear - ful hold;
Re - born, we share with Him an Eas - ter life
The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the Church of God.



And our de - spair He turned to blaz - ing joy.
As liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.



Al - le - lu - ia!
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POSTLUDE

Serving in Worship today:

Pastor Klein

Elder:

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Music Associates: Kyle Miller and Samantha Rose

Minister of Music: Kathleen Rose

Evangelism: Winning and keeping souls for Christ!

The word evangelism means *bringing good news*. Evangelism is the way in which the saving words and works of the Lord Jesus are shared with people everywhere and it strives to help everyone grow in faith, hope, and love. This process includes evangelizing both those who are already members of the church, as well as reaching out to those who do not yet know the Lord or who no longer practice their faith.

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins souls is wise. Proverbs 11:30