

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 12, 2026

10 AM



SAINT MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Annapolis, Maryland

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - Pastor

(Please stand as you are able)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS - Pastor

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the promise of resurrection life
as we confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

God of everlasting life,
you bring us from the tomb into the light of day,
yet we often remain in the shadows.

1 John 1:8

You call us into new life,

but we cling to old ways.

You speak peace,

but we let fear have the final word.

Forgive us, O God.

Raise us with Christ,

and renew us in your Spirit,

so that we may walk in faith, hope, and love. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us
all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,

in the name of the Father,

and of the ✠ Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The dawn has broken, and Christ is risen.

Go forth in joy and live as people of the resurrection.

Alleluia! Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

ELW 366

2 Corinthians
13:13-14

GREETING - Pastor

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

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

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

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the vic - tor's
 2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst; Je - sus their le - gions
 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, Christ ris - es glo - rious
 4 Christ closed the yawn - ing gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high
 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound-ed you, from death's sting free your

tri - umph won! Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 from the dead. All glo - ry to our ris - en head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 por - tals fell. Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
 ser - vants too, that we may live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!

After the final stanza

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

We ask for God's
mercy
Luke 17:13; 18:39,
Psalm 123:3

HYMN OF PRAISE - *Pastor*



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship 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.



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 Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

This prayer "collects"
the theme of the day.

PRAYER OF THE DAY - *Assisting Minister*

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

This reading is typically from the Hebrew Scriptures, which Jesus often quoted.

THE FIRST LESSON - *Lector*

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

^{14a} Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: ²² “Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know ²³ this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴ But God raised him up, having released him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵ For David says concerning him, ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; ²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. ²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades or let your Holy One experience corruption. ²⁸ You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ ²⁹ “Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, ‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’ ³² “This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity’s relationship with God and one another. Psalms are the hymnbooks of the children of Israel

THE PSALM (*Sung Together*)

Psalm 16



C: Choir
A: All

- C ¹ Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”
- A ² **All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**
- C ³ But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- A ⁴ **I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names up on my lips.**
- C ⁵ O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who hold my lot.
- A ⁶ **My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**
- C ⁷ I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.
- A ⁸ **I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**
- C ⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.
- A ¹⁰ **For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.**
- C ¹¹ You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

This reading bears witness to the early church.

THE SECOND LESSON - *Lector*

1 Peter 1:3-9

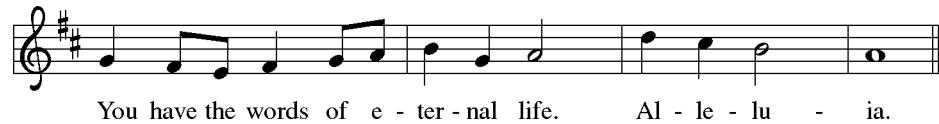
³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ⁴ and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷ so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸ Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹ for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** (*Please stand as you are able*)

We acclaim the living Word, Jesus Christ, present in the gospel reading.

John 6:68

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE GOSPEL LESSON - *Pastor*

John 20:19-31

The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to John the twentieth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “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 (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.” ²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” ²⁸ Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” ³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*Please be seated*)

SERMON - *Pastor*

(Please stand as you are able)

HYMN OF THE DAY O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing ELW 386 (vs. 4-9)

Ancient church councils adopted the summary of the church's faith in the Nicene, Apostles' and Athanasian Creeds.

CONFESSIO OF FAITH - *Assisting Minister*

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.

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. (1 Timothy 2:1-2; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; Acts 2:42)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH - *Assisting Minister*

To the words "Merciful God," the congregation responds "receive our prayer."

SHARING OF THE PEACE - *Pastor*

Extending God's word of peace to others. (Romans 16:16; Matthew 5:23-24)

THE OFFERING *(Please be seated)*

We thank you for your generosity and support! We are blessed to return thanks to God through our offerings to support the work of the Church in the world. Ushers will bring the plates to those worshipping in person this day. For those worshipping online you may give electronically or by way of US Mail. Your gifts enable our day to day operational budget, our missions, and the care of those in need. Please visit www.stmartinsannapolis.org/giving or scan the QR code here:

*1 Corinthians 16:1-2
2 Corinthians 9:7-9*



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

King of Glory

- Arr. By Ayo Oluranti

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing



- 1 O sons and daugh - ters, let us sing
 2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day,
 3 An an - gel clad in white they see,
 4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear;
Insert stanzas 5-8 if desired.
 9 On this most ho - ly day of days,



with heav'n - ly hosts to Christ our king:
 the faith - ful wom - en went their way
 who sits and speaks un - to the three,
 a - mong them came their mas - ter dear,
 be laud and ju - bi - lee and praise:



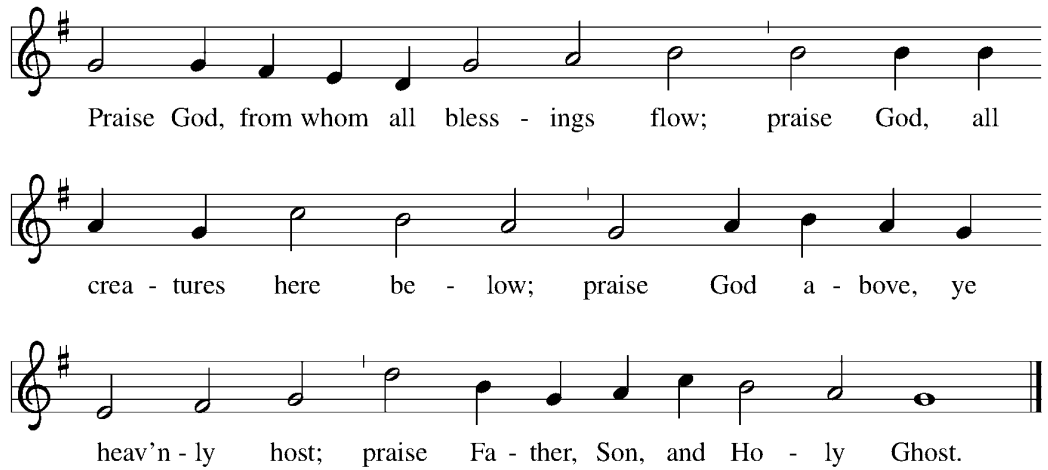
to - day the grave has lost its sting! Al - le - lu - ia!
 to seek the tomb where Je - sus lay. Al - le - lu - ia!
 "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee." Al - le - lu - ia!
 and said, "My peace be with you here." Al - le - lu - ia!
 to God your hearts and voic - es raise. Al - le - lu - ia!

After the final stanza



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

- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard,
 that they had seen the risen Lord,
 he doubted the disciples' word.
 Alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied;
 he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
 "You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
 Alleluia!
- 6 "My pierced side, O Thomas, see,
 and look upon my hands, my feet;
 not faithless, but believing be."
 Alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen,
 and yet whose faith has constant been,
 for they eternal life shall win.
 Alleluia!



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

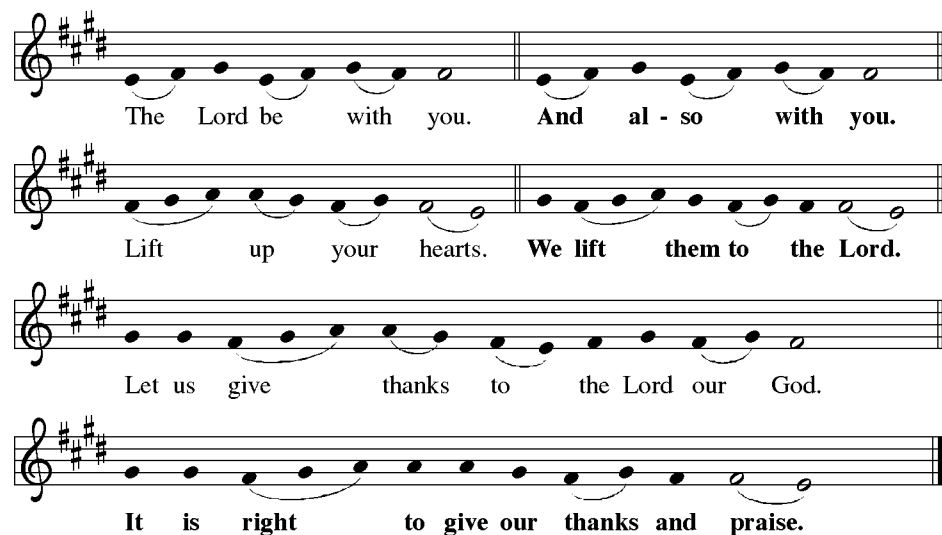
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OFFERING PRAYER - *Assisting Minister*

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

Before the Lord's
supper is shared, the
presiding minister leads
us into thanksgiving.
(Psalm 15:1)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Please stand as you are able*) - *Pastor*



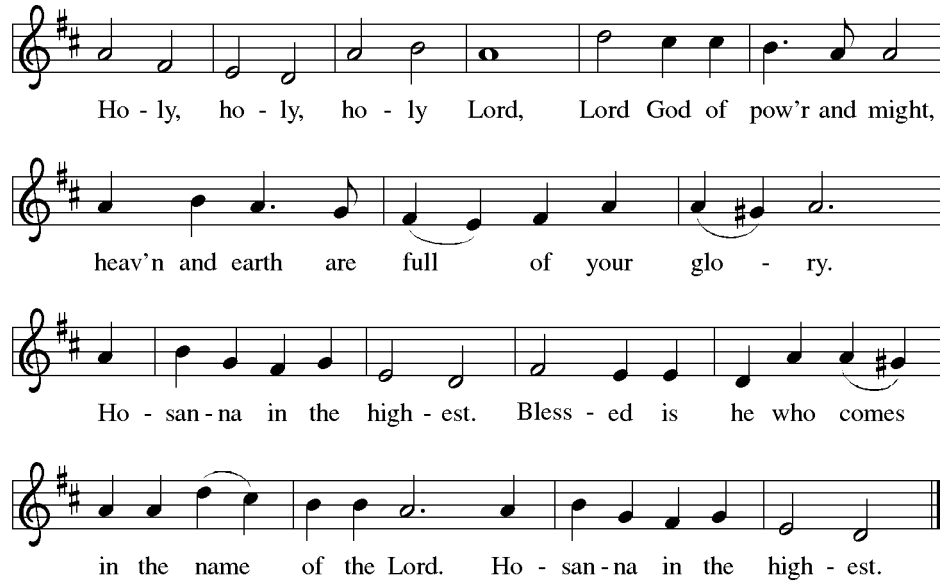
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE - *Pastor*

It is indeed right our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The Sanctus is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God. (Isaiah 6:3)

THE SANCTUS



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

In these words—Jesus institutes the sacrament for the church

*Matthew 26:26-28;
Luke 22:19-20; 1
Corinthians 11:23-26*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION - *Pastor*

Jesus teaches his disciples to pray.

*(Luke 11:24;
Matthew 6:9-13)*

THE LORD'S PRAYER - *Pastor*

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)

Our invitation to Christ's Table (adapted from Iona Community, Scotland)

INVITATION - *Pastor*

This is Christ's table. It is a table of love and welcome. It is a table of fellowship with the poor.

It is a table of communion with the earth.

So, come those of you who have great faith and those of you who wish you had more.

Come, those of you who have tried to follow Jesus, and those of you who have failed.

Come, those of you who depend on this sacrament for your life, and those of you for whom it is a new and strange thing. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Come!

As John the Baptist pointed to Jesus, he said these words.
(John 1:29)

THE AGNUS DEI

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, grant us peace.

*****Blue Communion Cards-** Please remember to fill in a blue communion card each week. You can hand your blue communion cards to an usher as you come up for communion.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION - At the Lord's Table we share in the gift of Jesus' body and blood.

Please bring an empty glass from the head of the aisle to receive wine from a pouring cup. Grape juice is available in the pre-filled glasses near the empty ones. If you need a gluten-free option for bread, please indicate that to the person with bread. Peel away communion kits are also available for any who so desire. Blessings will be given to those not yet communing.

COMMUNION HYMNS

The Risen Christ Touch That Soothes and Heals

ELW 390
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1 Touch that soothes and heals the hurt - ing, hands that
2 Feed the hun - gry, clothe the na - ked, vis - it
3 Love and serve with - out dis - tinc - tion all earth's
4 Hands that beck - on lit - tle chil - dren, bind a

break a loaf of bread; steps that walk be - side the
ones in need of care, give the home - less warmth and
peo - ple, first and least. Know with - in each act of
wound, pre - pare a meal, feet that rush to share good

wea - ry, bear - ing bur - dens in their stead:
shel - ter: Christ will find a wel - come there.
kind - ness hope and whole - ness are in - creased.
tid - ings, Christ a - ris - en, still re - veal.

Refrain

"See my hands and feet," said Je - sus, love a - ris - en from the

grave. "Be my hands and feet," said Je - sus, "live as

ones I died to save."

The Risen Christ



1 The ris - en Christ, who walks on wound-ed feet
2 The ris - en Christ, who stands with wound-ed side,
3 The ris - en Christ, who breaks with wound-ed hand
4 May we, Christ's bod - y, walk and serve and stand



from gar - den tomb through dark-ened cit - y street,
breathes out his Spir - it on them to a - bide
the bread for those who fail to un - der - stand,
with those op - pressed in this and ev - 'ry land,



un - locks the door of grief, de - spair, and fear,
whose faith still wa - vers, who dare not be - lieve;
re - veals him - self, de - spite their lin - g'ring tears,
till all are blessed and can a bless - ing be,



and speaks a word of peace to all who hear.
new grace, new strength, new pur - pose they re - ceive.
en - flames their hearts, then quick - ly dis - ap - pears.
re - stored in Christ to true hu - man - i - ty.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER *(Please stand as you are able) - Pastor*

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION - Assisting Minister

Living One,

in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

Amen.

*A personal blessing
from God in the name
of the Triune God.*

(Numbers 6:24-26)

BENEDICTION - Pastor

The triune God,
who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, ✠ Savior, and Spirit,
light your way with resurrection dawn,
now and always. **Amen.**

*On our way rejoicing.
(Colossians 3:16;
Philippians 4:4)*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

The Day of Resurrection!

ELW 361

*We go forth to bless
the world*

Luke 7:50;

Romans 10:12-13

DISMISSAL - Assisting Minister

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

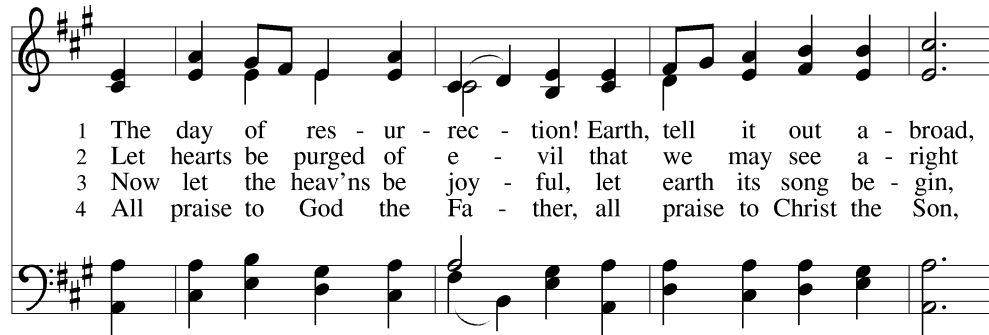
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

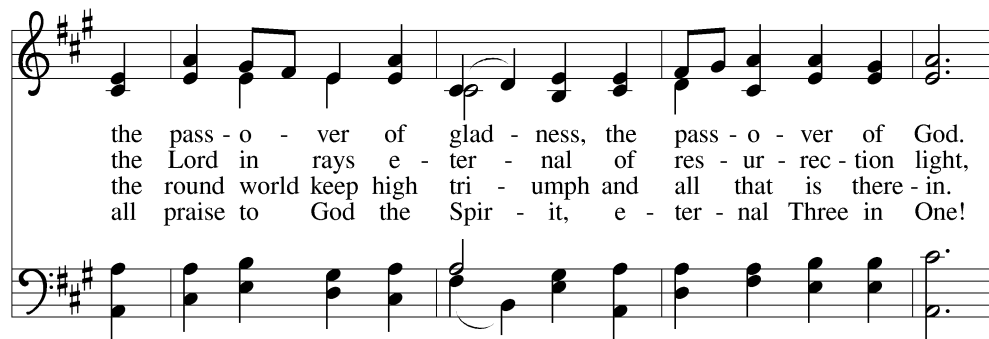
Ellacombe

- Arr. By Albert L. Travis

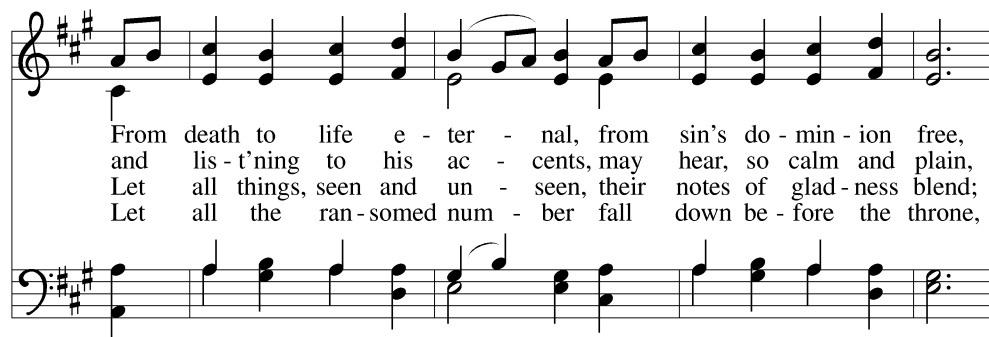
The Day of Resurrection!



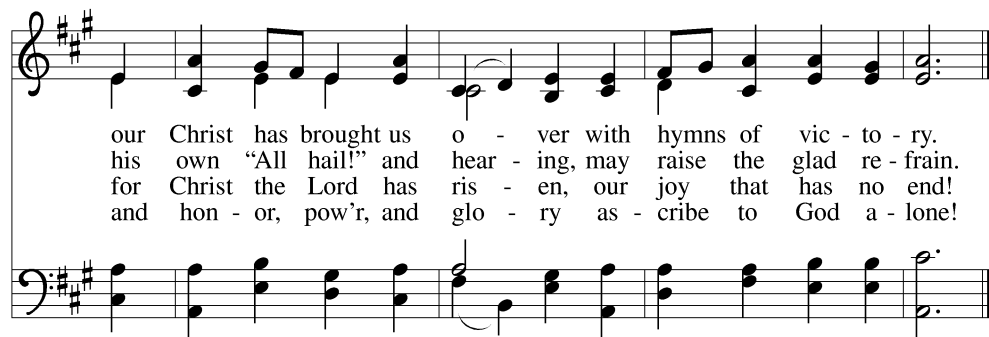
1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin,
 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, all praise to Christ the Son,



the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.
 all praise to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One!



From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
 and lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things, seen and un - seen, their notes of glad - ness blend;
 Let all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,



our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the glad re - frain.
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end!
 and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone!

CAMP S.E.E.D.S. OF WONDER

Join
US!



Sign up here!



July 27th-30th

6pm-8pm

St. Martin's Church warmly invites all our members, families, school families and faculty-kids, youth, adults, married, single, and everyone in between to be part of our Intergenerational Church Camp!

Each evening begins with a delicious catered dinner from favorites like Chipotle, Mission BBQ, and Chick-fil-A, followed by fun "get to know you" activities that help us connect as a community. Then, gather with Pastor Micah for a time of meaningful learning, and enjoy a variety of engaging experiences including service projects, creative art activities, music and fun games.

Cost is based on the number of family members attending—please see the registration form for details.

We can't wait to grow, serve, and have fun together with you!

Registration is open!!

| Serving in Worship Today | |
|----------------------------|--|
| Preacher & Celebrant | Pastor Micah Krey |
| Director of Music Ministry | Adedotun Olayemi |
| Media Technician | Sara Wetz |
| Assisting Minister | Marlys Sandve McDevitt |
| Communion Assistants | Bob Drumm Linda Wetz |
| Lector | Linda Stephens |
| Ushers | Ches and Sue Lanham Randy and Michele Soileau |
| Communion Cleanup | Randy and Michele Soileau |

| Opportunities This Week | |
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| Wednesday, April 15, 2026 | |
| 7:00 am | Men's Bible Study (Double T) |
| Thursday, April 16, 2026 | |
| 11:30 am | Mid-Day Bible Study (Double T) |
| Sunday, April 19, 2026 | |
| 8:00 am | Worship (Sanctuary) |
| 10:00 am | Worship (Sanctuary) |

Today at 3PM!

Save the Date!

We invite you to see Joshua at the Sight and Sound Theatre in Lancaster on Thursday, October 29, 2026. This spectacular theatre experience will bring to life the events of Joshua's amazing life.

Trip information will follow in May with sign-ups beginning June 1.



2026 SPRING CONCERT
IT'S ALL FUN AND GAMES...

The **BAY WINDS** Band

FREE!

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH
3PM
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7:30PM
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