



The Second Week of Easter ~ April 6-7, 2024 ~ 5:00 pm

## Greeting

### **"A Call to Praise"**

*(lyrics for reflection)*

### **Praise Singers**

I bow my heart, I bend my knees,  
I worship You in all Your majesty.  
I lift my voice, I raise my hands,  
I'm here to give You ev'rything I am.  
You are holy, You are mighty,  
You are worthy of my praise.  
You are righteous, You reign in glory;  
You are welcome in this place. Repeat

## Invocation

P: We begin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

**C: Amen**

## Confession of Sins

P: Lord God, you have given Jesus to seek and find us and be the way by which we are rescued from our sins. Yet, we often look to ourselves and trust what we can do as the reason to be saved.

**C: Forgive us for ignoring your way and not trusting wholly in You. Forgive us for thinking or acting like we can do something to make things right between You and us. Forgive us for inventing some "other Gospel," for there is no other "Good News" than Your Son Jesus, our Rescuer.**

P: In Jesus there is true and reliable Good News. God gave us Jesus so that we can be fully assured that our sins are forgiven. So let us trust and rely on the Good News that God alone can give.

**C: Dear God, keep our faith strong and always directed to our one and only hope, Jesus Christ. May this genuine Good News assure us and sustain us. Amen**

## First Reading

Acts 4:32-35, p. 1161

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

1 John 1:1- 2:2, p. 1301

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **"People of God"**

### **Praise Singers & Congregation**

With our lips let us sing one confession, with our hearts hold to one truth alone;  
For He has erased our transgressions, claimed us and called us His own, His very own.

Chorus We're the people of God, called by His name, called from the dark and delivered from shame;  
One holy race, saints ev'ry one, because of the blood of Christ Jesus, the Son.

Hear us, O spirits of darkness, so you will know where we stand:  
We are His servants purchased with scars, bought by the blood of the Lamb, the blood of the Lamb.

Chorus

### **Holy Gospel**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

John 20:19-31, p. 1154

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **Nicene Creed**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God, begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Songs of Praise                      Praise Singers & Congregation**

#### ***"He Is Lord"***

He is Lord, shout it from the highest hill;  
He is Lord, lift His holy name until every mountain echos with His Glory,  
Every valley flows with songs of praise.  
Till every nation marvels at His greatness; Till every tongue in Heaven and earth proclaim,  
"He is Lord and we will praise Him, He is Lord, our righteousness;  
He is Lord, we bow in worship, hearts restored, we now confess.  
He is Lord, He is Lord, He is Lord, He is Lord."                      Repeat

#### ***"In the Garden"***

I come to the garden alone while the dew is still on the roses;  
And the voice I hear falling on my ear the son of God discloses.

Refrain:       And He walks with me and He talks with me, and He tells me I am His own.  
                  And the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known.

He speaks, and the sound of His voice is so sweet the birds hush their singing;  
And the melody that He gave to me within my heart is ringing.       Refrain

I'd stay in the garden with Him though the night around me be falling;  
But He bids me go thru the voice of woe, His voice to me is calling.       Refrain

**Message     Seminarian Jared Rudolph**

## **Offering**

**"Sing Hallelujah"                               Praise Singers**

*(lyrics for reflection)*

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord,  
Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation;  
Let us come before Him with thanksgiving,  
And extol Him with music and with song.

Chorus:  
Sing halle, hallelujah, sing hallelujah.  
Sing halle, hallelujah, sing halle hallelujah.

Come, let us bow down in worship,  
Let us kneel before the Lord our maker;  
For He is our God and we belong to Him,  
We are His people, the flock under His care.

Chorus

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Chorus

## **Prayers of God's People**

### **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**

## Invitation to Commune

### Distribution of Holy Communion

#### **"Fill My Cup, Lord"**

#### **Praise Singers & Congregation**

Like the woman at the well, I was seeking  
For things that could not satisfy;  
And then I heard my Savior speaking:  
"Draw from My well that never shall run dry."

Refrain: Fill my cup, Lord I lift it up, Lord!  
Come and quench this thirsting of my soul;  
Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more—  
Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole!

So, my brother, if the things this world gave you  
Leave hungers that won't pass away,  
My blessed Lord will come and save you,  
If you kneel to Him and humbly pray: Refrain

### Blessing

#### **"Song of Thanksgiving"**

#### **Praise Singers & Congregation**

Bless the Lord, whose hand is gracious to shelter and provide.  
He has filled my life with good things, and all my needs supplied.  
Your kindness and Your mercy are ev'ry day the same.  
Let my mouth sing Your praises, and my life bring glory to Your name.

Repeat

**Go in peace † Serve the Lord!**

*Our Mission: To know Christ and make Him known.*

