



**"WHY ARE YOU TROUBLED,  
AND WHY DO DOUBTS  
ARISE IN YOUR HEART?"**



**Zion Lutheran Church**  
**Praise & Worship Service**  
**April 18, 2021**

## **WELCOME**

### **INTROIT: *Psalm 30:1-5*; antiphon: *Psalm 16:11b***

PASTOR: In your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore. I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**ALL: *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.***

PASTOR: In your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

### **All Creatures of Our God and King**

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing:  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou, burning sun with golden beam  
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless  
And worship Him in humbleness  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father praise the Son  
And praise the Spirit three in One  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by His blood  
Come and rejoice in His great love;  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Christ has defeated every sin;  
Cast all your burdens now on Him;  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign;  
Heaven and earth will join to say:  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Then who shall fall on bended knee?  
All creatures of our God and King;  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

PASTOR: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Amen.**

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

PASTOR: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**ALL: who made heaven and earth.**

PASTOR: I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**ALL: and You forgave the iniquity of my sins.**

PASTOR: O Almighty God, merciful Father,

**ALL: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. 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 and merciful 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 unto all 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.

**All: Amen.**

## **KYRIE (spoken in unison)**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

**ALL: And with thy spirit.**

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.

**ALL: Amen.**

## **FIRST READING: Acts 3:11-21**

While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all. And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago."

PASTOR: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE LESSON: 1 John 3:1-7**

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

PASTOR: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**PLEASE STAND FOR THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL.**

PASTOR: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

ALL: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

**HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 24:36-49**

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them. Then he said to 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 and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

PASTOR: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**NICENE CREED (spoken in unison)**

**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.

## **Once Again**

Jesus Christ, I think upon Your sacrifice  
You became nothing, poured out to death  
Many times, I've wondered at Your gift of life  
And I'm in that place once again, I  
'm in that place once again

And once again I look upon the cross where You died  
I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside  
Once again, I thank You, once again I pour out my life.

Now You are exalted to the highest place  
King of the heavens, where one day I'll bow  
But for now, I marvel at this saving grace  
And I'm full of praise once again,  
I'm full of praise once again

And once again I look upon the cross where You died  
I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside  
Once again, I thank You, once again I pour out my life.

Thank You for the cross, thank You for the cross  
Thank You for the cross, my Friend

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Thank You for the cross, my Friend.

And once again I look upon the cross where You died  
I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside  
Once again, I thank You, once again I pour out my life.  
Once again, I thank You, once again I pour out my life.

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## **SERMON**

# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

PASTOR: 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 of the dead. Lord, in Your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

PASTOR: Heavenly Father, by the incarnation of Your Son and the reconciliation of His cross, You have made us Your children and gathered us into Your Holy Church. Sustain the preaching of Your Holy Word and its message of repentance for the forgiveness of sins in Jesus' name among us and all the nations of the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

**ALL: 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 husband and wives, parents and children. Assure those who live alone that they, too, are Your children, upheld by Your right hand. Lord, in Your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

PASTOR: Almighty God, preserve our nation and its leaders. Preserve order and decency in this fallen world by their hands and restrain the sins and deceptions of the lawless, that we may practice righteousness while awaiting the eternal peace promised in Christ's wounds alone. Lord, in Your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

PASTOR: Gracious Father, 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 also those who weep [*especially...*] with the blessed joy of Easter morning. Lord, in Your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

PASTOR: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by Your Son's crucifixion all sins have been blotted out. Send us now the blessed refreshment of His bodily presence in the Sacrament of the Altar and make us fit partakers in repentance for the forgiveness of our sins. Lord, in Your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

PASTOR: All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

ALL: **Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER (spoken in unison)**

Our Father who art in heaven hallowed by 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.

## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And with thy spirit.**

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

PASTOR: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

ALL: **It is meet and right so to do.**

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. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## **Sanctus (spoken in unison)**

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

# **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Pastor:** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

**Pastor:** Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**All:** Amen.

# **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **Faithful One**

**Faithful One, so unchanging,  
Ageless One, You're my Rock of Peace  
Lord of all, I depend on You  
I call out to You, again and again  
I call out to You, again and again.**

**You are my Rock in times of trouble  
You lift me up when I fall down  
All through the storm Your love is the anchor  
My hope is in You alone.**

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## **I Give You My Heart**

**This is my desire, to honor You,  
Lord, with all my heart I worship You  
All I have within me, I give You praise,  
All that I adore is in You**

**Lord, I give You my heart, I give You my soul,  
I live for You alone  
Ev'ry breath that I take, ev'ry moment I'm awake  
Lord, have Your way in me.**

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Lord, have Your way in me.**

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## **Knowing You**

All I once held dear, built my life upon;  
All this world reveres and wars to own  
All I once thought gain, I have counted loss  
Spent and worthless now compared to this.

Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You,  
There is no greater thing  
You're my all, You're the best,  
You're my joy, my righteousness  
And I love You, Lord.

Now my heart's desire is to know You more  
To be found in You and known as Yours  
To possess by faith what I could not earn  
All surpassing gift of righteousness.

Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You,  
There is no greater thing  
You're my all, You're the best,  
You're my joy, my righteousness  
And I love You, Lord.

Oh, to know the pow'r of Your risen life  
And to know You in Your sufferings  
To become like You in Your death, my Lord  
So with You to live and never die.

Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You,  
There is no greater thing  
You're my all, You're the best,  
You're my joy, my righteousness  
And I love You, Lord.

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## **BLESSING**

**PASTOR:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

**All:** Amen.

# **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**PASTOR:** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

# **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.

**All:** Amen.

## **In Christ Alone**

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fulness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

**No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From Life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!**

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