

Organ Offertory (Sat.)

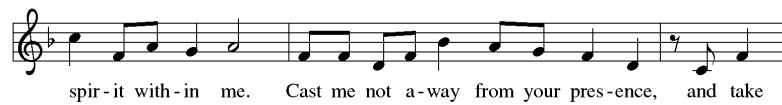
Offertory By the Handbells (8:25 a.m.)

“Classical Easter”

Offering

Offering Hymn No. 186

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”



Prayers of the Church

L: God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

C: 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.

Benediction

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope bless you now and always. Amen.

Closing Hymn No. 376

“Thine Is the Glory”

Dismissal

L: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude by the Handbells (8:25 a.m.)

“Stand Up for Jesus”

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## Welcome to Worship



3rd Sunday after Easter – April 13 & 14, 2024

United In God's Will

Prelude by the Handbells (8:25 a.m.)

“Jesus and His Love”

Announcements

Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

C: Amen.

L: Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us:

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

C: Amen

L: At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

**Opening Hymn No. 367** "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

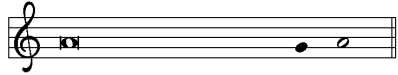
**Greeting**

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

**C: And also with you.**

**Kyrie**

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



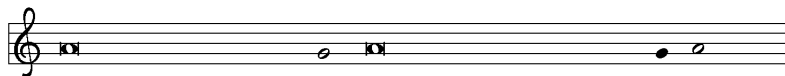
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



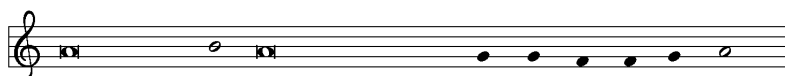
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

**Hymn of Praise**

**Pages 149-150**



*Refrain*  
Assisting minister  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



*All*  
1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.



*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



*Final refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Prayer of the Day**

**C:** Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**First Reading**

**Acts 3:12-19 – Page 887**

**Psalms Reading**

**Psalms 4 – See Insert**

**Second Reading**

**1 John 3:1-7 – Page 990**

**Gospel Acclamation**

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Gospel**

*L: The holy gospel according to Luke.*

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Luke 24:36b-48 – Page 861**

*L: The gospel of the Lord.*

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Hymn No. 764**

**"Have No Fear, Little Flock"**

**Children's Sermon**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Joel Remmers**

**Hymn No. 379**

**"Now the Green Blade Rises"**

**Apostles' Creed**

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**C:** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.**