

# **TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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May 12, 2024

Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion Setting 4 - ELW (Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship Year B)

## INTRODUCTION

*The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!*

## PRELUDE

Announcements are on page 18.

*Please stand if you are able.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

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

**Amen.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

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.

Look, here is water!  
**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

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.  
**Amen.**

Look, here is water!  
**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

### **GATHERING**

# God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer  
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of

praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;

what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants  
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's

world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;

wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
 we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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 Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907–1991  
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## GREETING

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.**

# CHILDREN 'S SERMON

The children are invited to come forward.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW 166


### This Is the Feast

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia, 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, glo - ry and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A-men.

*continued on page 5*

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 3 For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

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 Music: Robert Buckley Farlee, b. 1950  
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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## WORD

### **FIRST READING: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

### **PSALM: Psalm 1**

*Read responsively*

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel<sup>1</sup> of the wicked,  
nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the seats<sup>1</sup> of the scornful!

<sup>2</sup>**Their delight is in the law<sup>1</sup> of the LORD,  
and they meditate on God's teaching<sup>1</sup> day and night.**

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season,  
with leaves that<sup>1</sup> do not wither;  
everything they<sup>1</sup> do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup>**It is not so<sup>1</sup> with the wicked;  
they are like chaff which the wind<sup>1</sup> blows away.**

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when<sup>1</sup> judgment comes,  
nor the sinner in the council<sup>1</sup> of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>**For the LORD knows the way<sup>1</sup> of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked shall<sup>1</sup> be destroyed.**

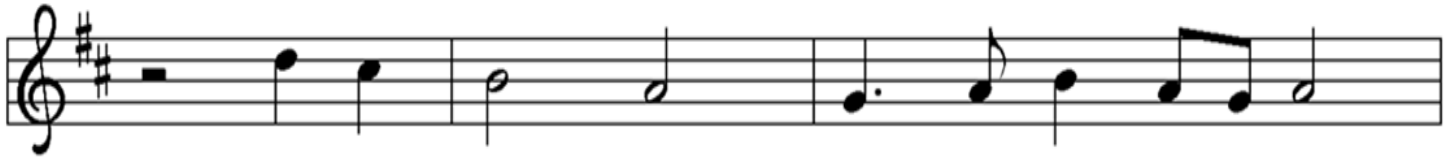
### **SECOND READING: 1 John 5:9-13**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Please stand if you are able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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



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

The Holy gospel according to John, the 17th Chapter.  
**Glory to you O Lord.**

## GOSPEL: John 17:6-19

The gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## SERMON

*A brief silence for reflection.*

Pastor Karen Matuska

*Please stand if you are able.*

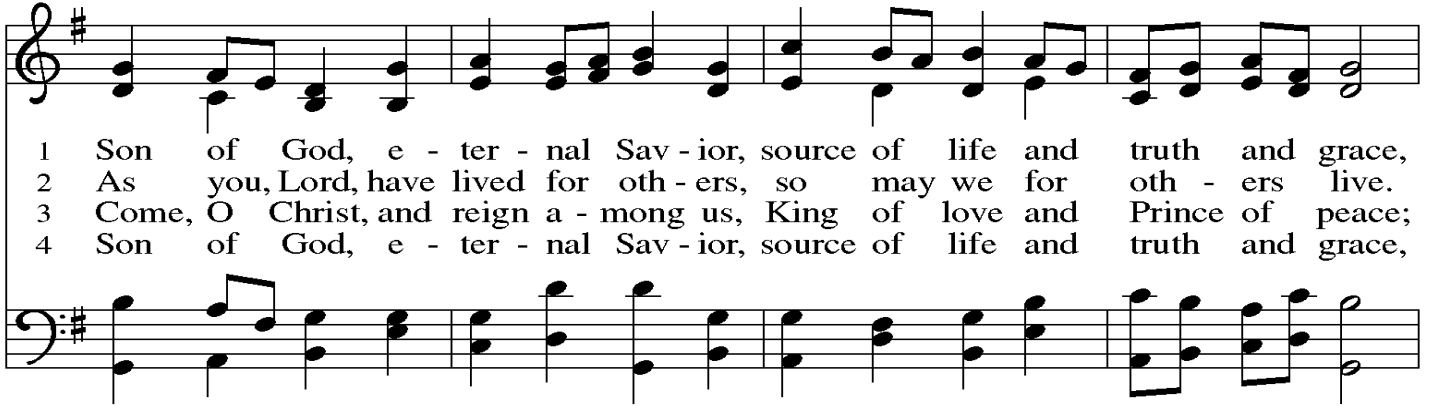
## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Son of God, Eternal Savior*

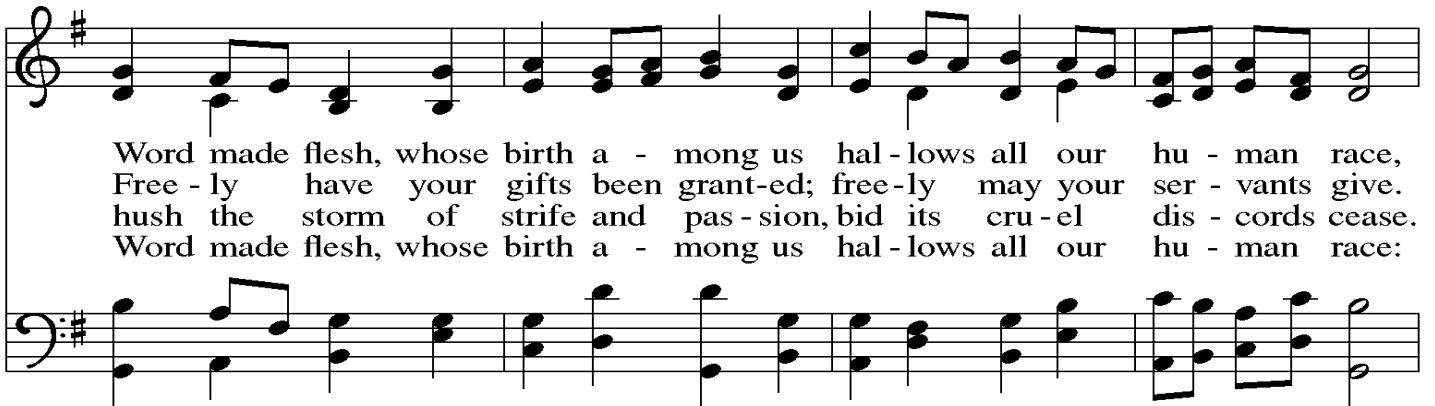
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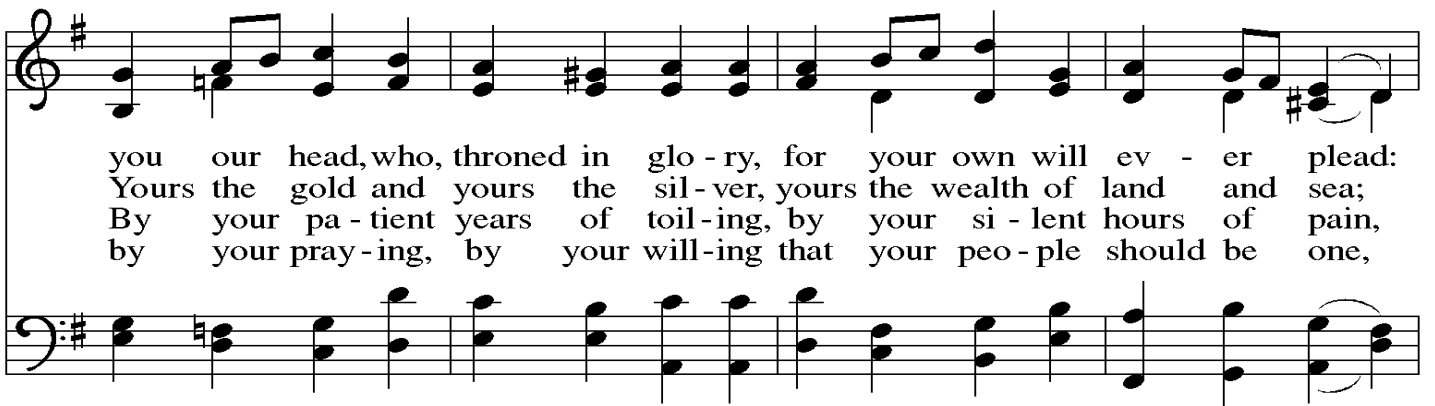
# Son of God, Eternal Savior



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,  
2 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for oth - ers live.  
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and Prince of peace;  
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,



Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race,  
Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed; free - ly may your ser - vants give.  
hush the storm of strife and pas - sion, bid its cru - el dis - cords cease.  
Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race:



you our head, who, throned in glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead:  
Yours the gold and yours the sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea;  
By your pa - tient years of toil - ing, by your si - lent hours of pain,  
by your pray - ing, by your will - ing that your peo - ple should be one,



fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need.  
we but stew - ards of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.  
quench our fe - vered thirst of plea - sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain.  
grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855–1932

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

## **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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

*A brief silence*

*Each petition ends:*

God of grace,

**Hear our prayer.**

*Prayers conclude with:*

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

**Amen.**

## **MEAL**

### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say:*

***Peace be with you.***

*Please be seated.*

### **OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC**

*Special Piano music*

*Please stand if you are able.*

## Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

### *Offering Song*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be  
 fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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## OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One,

you call us to believe and bear fruit.

May the gifts that we offer here

be signs of your abiding love.

Form us to be your witnesses in the world,

through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

**Amen.**

## DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

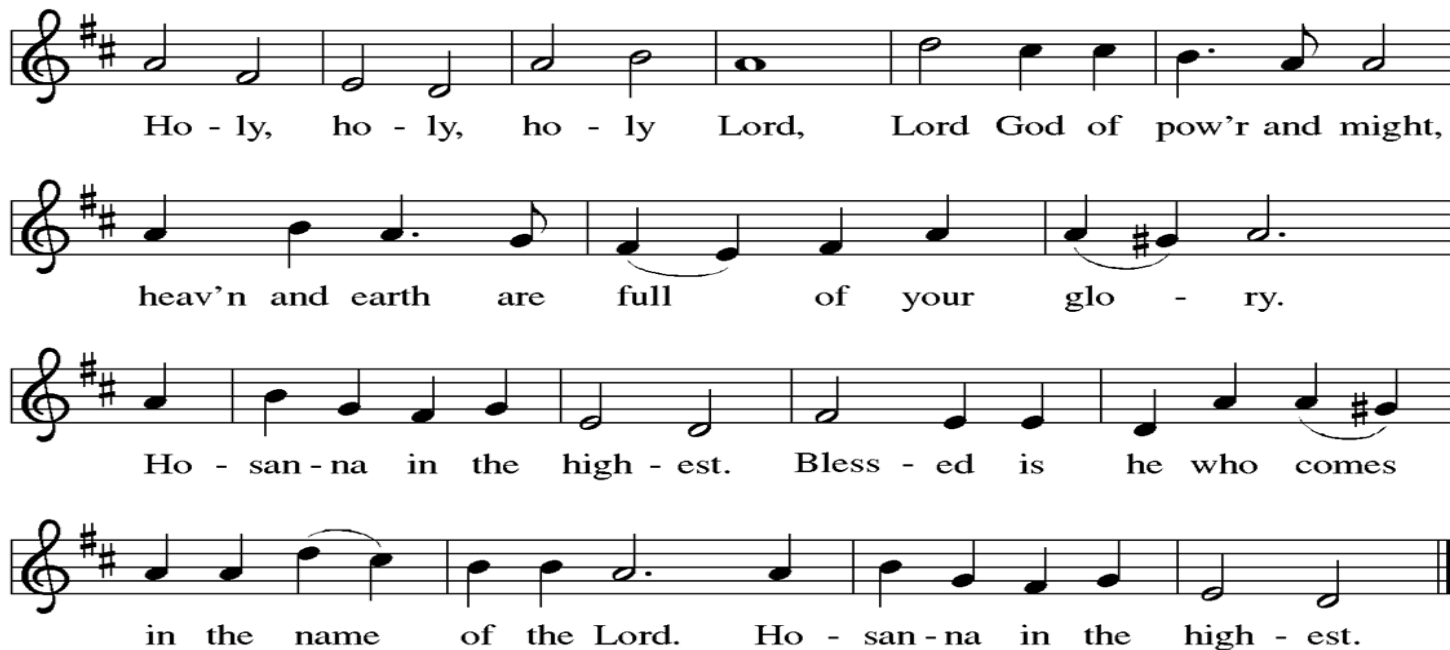
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;  
who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,  
with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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.

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation...

... Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. **Amen.**

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. **Amen.**

Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. **Amen.**

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.

O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.

O God, you are wine: warm our hearts and make us one.

**Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honor and glory is yours almighty Father,  
now and forever.**

**Amen**

## **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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us  
in the breaking of the bread.

Come and eat at God's table.

**Thanks be to God!**

## COMMUNION

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond **Amen.***

**The Lord's table** is open to all worshipers from all denominations who wish to share in God's blessing of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The real presence of Christ is in the bread and wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers.

Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available if you prefer.

*Please let the usher know if you need assistance.*

*Please be seated.*

## COMMUNION SONG



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.

# COMMUNION HYMN

ELW 494

*Please repeat until Communion is complete*

## For the Bread Which You Have Broken



1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured,  
2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your gift of peace re - stored,  
3 With the saints who now a - dore you, seat-ed at the heav'n - ly board,  
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;



for the words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.  
by your call to heav'n a - bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.  
may the church still wait - ing for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.  
in the world to which you send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.



Text: Louis F. Benson, 1855–1930, alt.

Music: OMNI DIE, *Gross Catolisch Gesangbuch*, Nürnberg, 1631; arr. William Smith Rockstro, 1823–1895

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*Please stand if you are able.*

## COMMUNION BLESSING

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



## Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has  
 done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
 Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in  
 joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Shepherding God,  
 you have prepared a table before us  
 and nourished us with your love.  
 Send us forth from this banquet  
 to proclaim your goodness  
 and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,  
 our redeemer and friend

**Amen.**

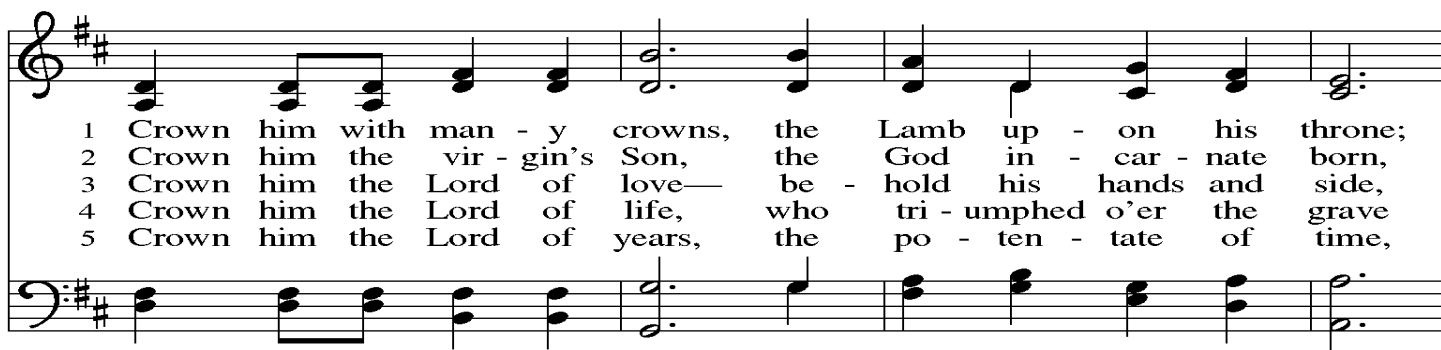
**SENDING****BLESSING**

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.**

## Crown Him with Many Crowns



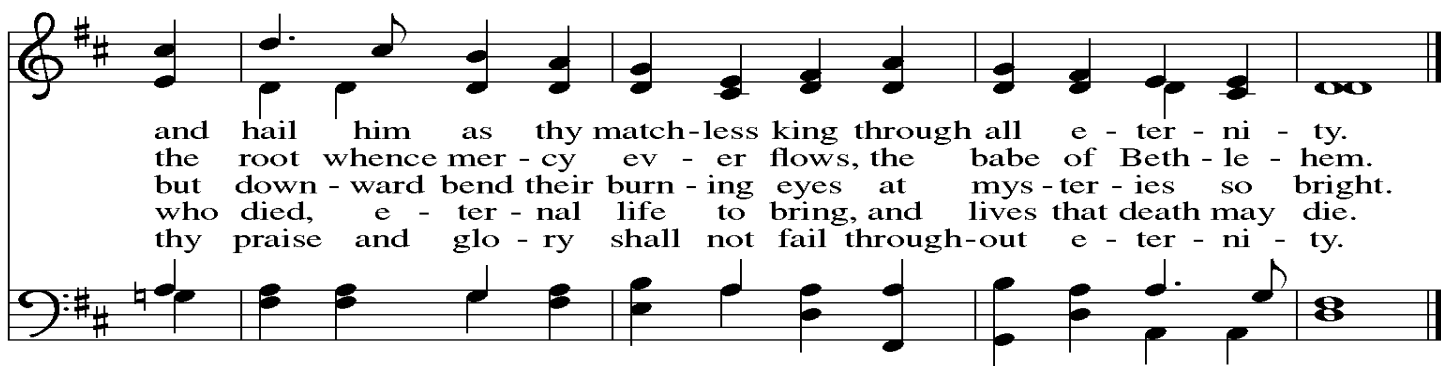
1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;  
 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,  
 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,  
 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.  
 whose arm those crim - son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;  
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.  
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
 fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,  
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,  
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.  
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–1894, sts. 1–3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 4  
 Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

## DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.  
 Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

<u>Disciples Serving:</u>	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u>
Assisting Minister:	Cyrisse Cooley	Ryan Kessinger
Presider:	Pastor Karen Matuska	Pastor Bob Kippley
Pianist:	Dr. J. Michael Beck	Dr. J. Michael Beck
Altar Guild:	Sue Kastelic	Sue Kastelic
Ushers/Greeters:	Sue Kastelic/Jerry Vargues	Sue Kastelic/Jerry Vargues
Counters:	Kathy & Steve/Cassie Walgren	Stacie Bowens/Charlotte Vargue
JAM:	Children's Sermon	Stacie Bowens/Connie Wisthoff

## PRAYERS

<u>Members, Friends and Relatives</u>	<u>Added by Members</u>
Doris Ask	People of Tabor
Shirley Bass	People of Tabor
Robert Bogusch	Nephew of Kathy Lambert
Brooklyn Clasby	Vargues/Truxell Family
Shirley DeRungs	People of Tabor
Virgie Giannetto	Lynn Truxell
Clay Kashner	People of Tabor
Audrey and Andrea Pitre	Friends of Emily Briggs
Gwen Powers-Hedding	People of Tabor
Pam Salas	People of Tabor
Bob Schafer	Son of Karen Granato
Tim Schafer	Son of Karen Granato
Marvin Truxell	Truxell & Vargues Families
Charlotte Vargues	People of Tabor
Linda Wagner	Lynn Truxell

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † What did your baptism/confirmation mean to you?  
The ushers will be handing out strips of paper for us to make a paper chain. On the **blue** paper (guys)/**pink** paper(girls), write what you know about your **baptism**. On the **red** paper, write what you remember or know about your **confirmation**. If you want to put your name that would be fine.  
All responses will be written down and presented in the bulletin on May 19th - Gage's confirmation day to help him remember his Affirmation of Baptism and to remind us of ours.
  
- † The Youth will be selling Burritos with Green Chili after worship on May 19.