

Fueled by Christ's redeeming love, St. John's is called into a joyful life of welcoming hospitality, grace-filled worship, transformational relationships, and Gospel-driven service in the world. St. John's is an RIC congregation.

A vibrant community living faith boldly through Welcoming, Worshiping, Healing, and Serving

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 2024

Welcome! Whether in the pews or online, whether for the first time or you've come more times than you can count, we are glad you are here. You are welcome to participate in every part of the worship service, including Holy Communion. Those of you joining online are invited to prepare a cracker or piece of bread and some juice or wine for partaking at that point in the service. Those in person are encouraged to sit in the forward half of the sanctuary both for audio and visual benefit. You're invited to create and wear a name tag, and to fill out a Fellowship Card from your pew rack and hand it to an usher.

PRELUDE

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Robert A. Hobby



WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. 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.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. 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.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

ELW 363 vv. 1, 3, 5

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.

KYRIE ELW p. 98



HYMN OF PRAISE ELW p. 101



SALUTATION

- P. The Lord be with you.
- C. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy Lord, your followers gave to your children something more powerful and more valuable than riches. They gave healing and hope. Bring healing and hope into our world and show us evidence of your presence in our lives. Amen.

During the singing of verses 1 & 3 of "Won't You Come...," children of every age are invited forward to join Edith in the front pew for the Word of the Week. Visitors are welcome!



WORD OF THE WEEK

Edith Bohardt

After the Word of the Week, children may return to be with their families in the pews or go to 'Grace Space' in the back of the sanctuary while the people repeat verses 1 & 3 of "Won't You Come..."

READING Acts 3:1-10

A Reading from Acts, the third chapter:

¹One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. ²And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. ³When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. ⁴Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." ⁵And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. ⁶But Peter said, "I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, stand up and walk." ⁶And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. ⁶Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. ⁶All the people saw him walking and praising God, ¹oand they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Pastor Mark Tiede

HYMN OF THE DAY

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

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APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

O God our holy one, you feed our deepest hungers. As we share the holy meal that is the body and blood of Jesus given for us, lead us to share all that we have, and find, in generosity, abundant life. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

O God our creator, you bring forth all life on earth. Calm storms, bring water to parched places, and protect the climate, that this planet would sustain life in all its variety. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

O God our savior, you offer wisdom and guidance beyond all human knowledge. Instruct law-makers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in your justice and care for all people. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

O God our elder, you care for all your children. Encourage those who are in times of transition, facing the loss of old ways and routines and anticipating change. Guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty, especially Kathy Cashin, Brian Conrad, Bruce Walker, Lana Tiede, Debbie Tuvey, George Tuvey, Nels Tuvey, Debra Jacobs, Sandy Rader, Kris Schepers, Karen O., Jeannie C, Michelle Dehn, Marlys Goebel, Nancy Johnson, Darrell Christoferson, Larry Fraser, Pastor Bill Russell, and others we name in our hearts *An intentional moment of silence* God of grace,

hear our prayer.

O God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministry. Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

O God our resting place, your Son Jesus promised that we are held in your love forever. We remember our beloved who have died. As we remember them and their love, comfort those who mourn. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

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.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

Musical Offering

Day of Arising St. John's Choir Carl Schalk/ Susan P. Cherwien

Giving to St. John's

In addition to writing a check, giving cash or by ACH, you can sustain the church's ministry and mission by making a donation to the church online! To support St. John's, point your smartphone camera at the QR code on the right or visit: stjohns4842.breezechms.com/give/online



OFFERTORY

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW 184



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927 Text and music © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

Amen.

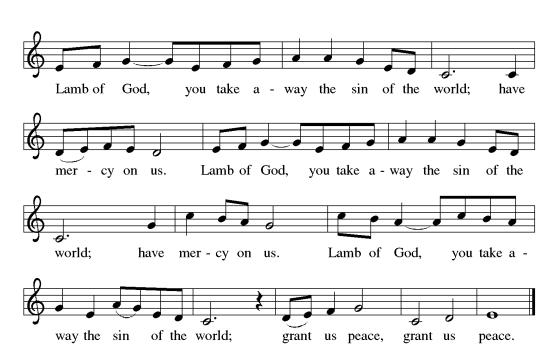
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

COMMUNION SONG

Lamb of God

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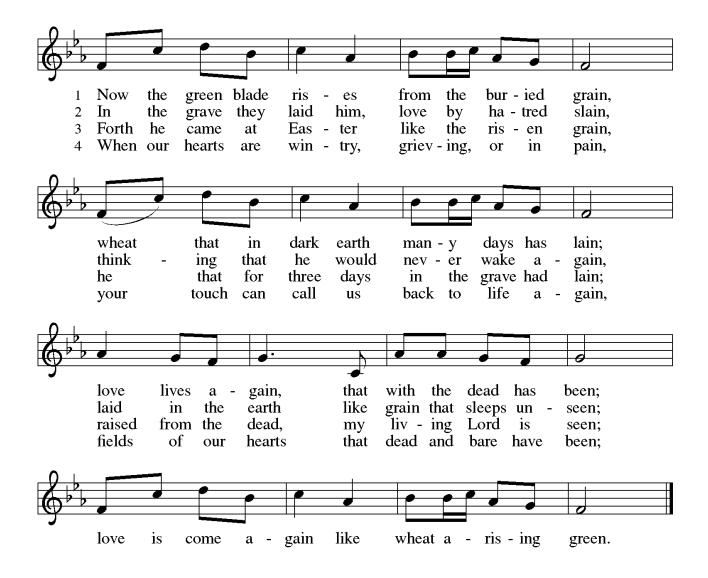


All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Communion will be served at the kneelers in the front of the sanctuary. Ushers will direct you forward for distribution. Those coming forward from the lectern side, please fill from far right of railing toward the center; those on the pulpit side, fill from center toward left end of railing.

You will receive the host to eat and then wine (red) or juice (white) from an individual communion cup. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please indicate your need to the server.

Anyone choosing to not commune is welcome to come forward and receive a blessing. If you would like communion brought to you in the pew, please let an Usher know.



Text: John MacLeod Campbell Crum, 1872-1958

Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ nourish you, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE 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.

SENDING HYMN

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

ELW 367

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

Bernard Wayne Sanders

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

vv. 1, 3, 5



- 1 Come, you faith ful, raise the strain of tri um phant glad ness!
- 2 'Tis the spring of souls to day: Christ has burst his pris on,
- 3 Now the queen of sea sons, bright with the day of splen dor,
- 4 Nei ther could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por tal, 5 Al le lu ia! now we cry to our Lord im mor tal,



God has brought forth Is - ra - el joy from sad - ness, in to and from three days' sleep in death sun has ris - en. as a with the roy - al feast of feasts comes its joy to ren - der; the watch - ers, nor the seal, hold you mor - tal: as a who tri - um - phant burst the tomb's dark por - tal; bars of the



loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter Ja - cob's sons yoke and daugh-ters; All the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing glad Jer - u - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion comes to to - day, a - mong your own, ap - pear, be - stow - ing you le - lu - ia! with the Al Son God the Fa ther prais - ing;



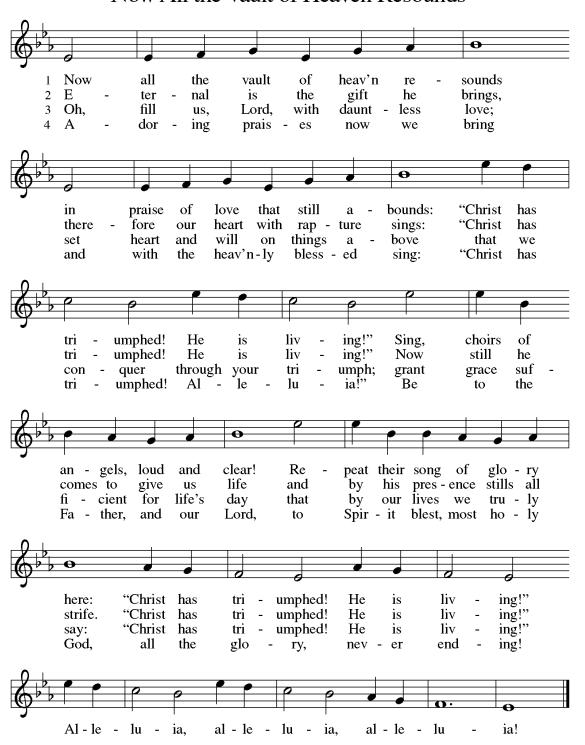
them with un-moist-ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters. led from the Light to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing. wel-comes in un - wea - ried strain Je sus' res - ur - rec - tion! your deep peace, which ev - er - more pass hu - man know - ing. es Al - le - lu - ia! yet Spir - it a - gain to the rais - ing.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: GAUDEAMUS PARITER, Johann Horn, 1490–1547

Savior, like A Shepherd Lead Us



Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876–1947, alt. Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623 Text © 1958 *Service Book and Hymnal*, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

WORSHIP NOTES

- Sunday morning worship is at 10 a.m. in person and online
 - ♦ Live on YouTube (link posted on St. John's Facebook page and website)
- Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday.
- Grace Place Nursery will be open 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. on Sundays.
- Activities for children are available at the back of the sanctuary in Grace Space.
- Fellowship time will be offered following worship each Sunday.

The Offering is an important part of Christian worship. In addition to placing your offering in the plate, you may also contribute offerings to the ministries of St. John's by:

- TEXT the word 'Give' to 612-800-0444 and follow the prompts,
- · GIVE through our website or your Breeze member app,
- MAIL your check to: St. John's Lutheran Church 4842 Nicollet Ave,

Minneapolis, MN 55419 or

USE this QR code:
 Point phone camera at code and tap the yellow bar



Videos on our YouTube channel include:

- Worship services
- 'God's Work · Our Hands' recap

Follow St. John's on our Facebook pages: StJohnsMpls & St. John's Lutheran Church Group.

St. John's 'Guest' WiFi pw: #MartinLuther

Readings for April 21—Easter 4

Acts 17:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10



Click here for YouTube



Click here for Facebook

Worship Leaders

Presiding Minister: *Mark Tiede*

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Minister of Music:

Peder Flaten

Assisting Minister:

Ellen Dosdall

Acolyte:

Grace Noaman

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Usher:

Larry Fraser

A/V Lead

Matthew Tiede

A/V Assistants:

Dylan Noaman

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Sam Nervig

Mark Nervig

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Our Life Together

Today

Nursery for age 3 and younger, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Fellowship & Packing of Food Backpacks following worship (FH)

Grace Place, 11:15 a.m. for children (top floor)

Lutheranism 101, 11:15 a.m. (Chapel)

Tuesday, April 16

St. John's Staff, 10 a.m. (Lounge)

Faith Practices & Neighboring Practices Cohort, 6 p.m.

(at St. Luke's Lutheran, 1701 W Old Shakopee Rd in Bloomington)

Metropolitan Men's Choir, 7 p.m. (FH)

Wednesday, April 17

Confirmation @ Bethlehem, 6:30 p.m.

St. John's Choir, 6:45 p.m. (Lounge)

Thursday, April 18—Backpack Delivery

Holy Conversations: A Lutheran Welcome; 6 p.m. (Lounge)

Saturday, April 20

Women's Retreat: Our Story/God's Story; 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

(at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 4801 France Ave S)

Metropolitan Men's Choir, 9 a.m. (Chapel)

Sunday, April 21—Easter 3

Worship with Holy Communion, 10 a.m. in person & online,

nursery available 9:30-12:30

Fellowship *following worship* (FH)

Grace Place, 11:15 a.m. for children (top floor)

St. John's Council, 11:15 a.m. (Lounge)

ALL ARE WELCOME to join in fellowship following worship. There will also be opportunity to **help pack 20 food backpacks**! These will be delivered to Page School on Thursday.

FAITH PRACTICES & NEIGHBORING PRACTICES: At our April 16th cohort meeting with teams from Bread of Life, Holy Cross, Lutheran Church of Christ the Redeemer, and St. Luke's, St. John's FPNP team will explore a number of different types of neighboring practices that each team can experiment with over the summer.

THE FINAL BISHOP NOMINEE OPEN FORUM will be held online via Zoom on Tuesday, April 16, 7-8:30 p.m. Join the forum at https://mpls-synod.org/event/bishop-nominee-forum-online/

'HOLY CONVERSATIONS' RESUMES this *Thursday, April 18, at 6 p.m.* with a 6-part series, "A Lutheran Welcome." Topics in the series include the Bible, Jesus, Forgiveness, Baptism, Communion, and A Reformation Way. This is for everyone, whether one is looking for a church home, a recent member, or a life-long Lutheran. Come and join in the exploration!

TANGLETOWN GARAGE SALE: St. John's will be participating in the Tangletown Garage Sale on *Saturday, May 4* from 9AM-4PM. Help is needed to prepare for and work during the sale. Set-up will likely be that Friday evening. If you would be willing to help in any way, please let Edith know.



The women of St. John's are invited to join the women of Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd for a special Women's Retreat led by Dr. Diane Millis.

"Our Story. God's Story" will be a time for story-tending, reflecting on how our life story connects with the story of Jesus and the Woman at the Well. Come for conversation, come to learn, come to grow deeper in faith.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024 8:30 AM—1 PM

at

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

4801 France Ave S, Minneapolis, MN

Registration fee: \$35 includes a box lunch.

Please contact Edith to register by Tuesday, April 16.

edith@stjohnsmpls.org

Educator, author, and spiritual director Diane M. Millis, Ph.D., loves to accompany people as they explore how God is at work in their stories. She is the author of "Conversation—the Sacred Art," "Deepening Engagement" and "Re-Creating a Life" (named one of the best spiritual books of 2019). Diane has taught at the University of Minnesota, the College of Saint Benedict/Saint John's University, Saint Catherine University and United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities. She currently facilitates retreats and workshop in a wide array of sectors—educational, non-profit, philanthropic, health care, and corporate. To learn more about her ministry, visit https://www.dianemillis.com/

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Our Mission:

Fueled by Christ's redeeming love, St. John's is called into a joyful life of welcoming hospitality, grace-filled worship, transformational relationships, and Gospel-driven service in the world.

Our Core Values:

Welcoming

Celebrating and caring for all people. Our doors are open.

You belong. Come as you are.

Worshiping

Gathering together to joyfully thank God in prayer and praise for Jesus, who calls us, centers us, and sends us into the world.

Healing

Reflecting God's unconditional grace and love by walking together through the joys and pains of life.

Serving

Gratefully responding to the needs of the world with the abilities God has gifted us.

Our Vision for the Future:

A vibrant community living faith boldly