

St. Luke's Lutheran Church – Sacramento/Elk Grove
Holy Communion – April 11, 2021
Second Sunday of Easter

We will be celebrating Holy Communion today. You are invited to have a small piece of bread and a small glass of wine or grape juice ready. If you won't be receiving the elements today, you will receive a blessing.

Prelude

Jane Fanucci, Organist/Pianist

This is the day that the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it. -Psalm 118:24

Opening Hymn

“Christ Is Risen Today”

Choir

1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia!
christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!
offer praise with love replete, Alleluia!
at the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!

2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia!
sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia!
christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!
now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

3 Christ, the victim undefiled, Alleluia!
god and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!
when contending death and life, Alleluia!
met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!

Hymn of Praise

“Kyrie”

Choir

(“Kyrie eleison” means “Lord have mercy”)

Refrain

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; For this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord (*Refrain*)

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. (*Refrain*)

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. (*Refrain*)

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word**First Reading**

Christiana Wilson, Reader
Acts 4:32-35

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 John 1:1—2:2

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“Fearless Faith Confessed”

Hymn of the Day

“We Walk by Faith”

Choir

**1 We walk by faith and not by sight;
with gracious words draw near,
O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke:
“My peace be with you here.”**

**2 We may not touch your hands and side,
nor follow where you trod;
but in your promise we rejoice,
and cry, “My Lord and God”**

**3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
And may our faith abound
to call on you when you are near
and seek where you are found;**

Nicene Creed

Let us together confess our faith.

We believe in one God, the Father 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

Prayer of Intercession

Kelly Boyer, Prayer Leader

Each prayer ends:

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Meal

*You are invited to make an offering in support of the mission of St. Luke's to "Spread the Good News, Serve those in need, and Share the victory of Jesus throughout the world."
Options for giving are available on our website, www.slelca.org. Thank you.*

Special Music

"Worthy is the Lamb"

Guitarist/ Soloist Jane Fanucci

Offering Prayer

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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.

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, through 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 Thomas, the disciples 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:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God,
 Lord God, Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san-na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san-na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- high - est.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have accomplished for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

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

Post-Communion Blessing

Post Communion Canticle



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.

Post-Communion Prayer

Life-giving God, you have fed us with heaven's perfect food, the very presence of Jesus Christ. Send us now to be what we have received, that all creation might know your love and sing your praise now and always. Amen.

Sending

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

R: Amen.

Closing Hymn

"On Our Way Rejoicing"

Choir

1 On our way rejoicing

gladly let us go.

Christ our Lord has conquered;

vanquished is the foe.

Christ with out, our safety;

Christ within our joy;

Who if we be faithful,

can our hope destroy?

Refrain

On our way rejoicing;

as we forward move,

hearken to our praises,

O blest God of love!

2 Unto God the Father

joyful songs we sing;

unto God the Savior

thankful hearts we bring;

unto God the Spirit

bow we and adore,

on our way rejoicing

now and evermore.

(Refrain)

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.