THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 26TH, 2020

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TODAY'S SERVICE

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Speaker: Pastor Matthew Ude

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 116

I love the LORD, because He has heard My voice and my supplications. ² Because He has inclined His ear to me, Therefore I will call upon Him as long as I live. ³ The pains of death surrounded me, And the pangs of Sheol laid hold of me; I found trouble and sorrow. ⁴ Then I called upon the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I implore You, deliver my soul!" 5 Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; Yes, our God *is* merciful. ⁶ The LORD preserves the simple; I was brought low, and He saved me. ⁷ Return to your rest, O my soul, For the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.⁸ For You have delivered my soul from death, My eyes from tears, And my feet from falling. 9 I will walk before the LORD In the land of the living. ¹⁰ I believed, therefore I spoke, "I am greatly afflicted." I said in my haste, "All men are liars." ¹² What shall I render to the LORD For all His benefits toward me? ¹³ I will take up the cup of salvation, And call upon the name of the LORD. ¹⁴ I will pay my vows to the LORD Now in the presence of all His people.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

"He's Risen, He's Risen"

by C. Ferdinand Walther Sung by Ann Sprengeler and Vanessa Ude

He's risen, he's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;
 He opened Death's prison, The incarnate, Word.
 Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song
 While earth, sea, and mountain the paean prolong.

The foe was triumphant when on Calvary
 The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.
 In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,
 For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.

But short was their triumph, the Savior arose,
 And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes;
 The conquering Lord lifts his banner on high.
 He lives, yea, he lives, and will nevermore die.

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4. Oh, where is your sting, death? We fear thee no more;Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.For all our transgressions His blood does atone;Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.

5. Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain;Who siteth in glory, and ever shall reign.

INVOCATION

- p Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- all He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- p In the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.
- all Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.
- p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

"This Is The Feast"

by John W Arthur, 1922 - 80 Sung by Ann Sprengeler and Vanessa Ude

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain*

Power, riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. *Refrain*

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. *Refrain*

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. *Refrain*

 Let us pray . . . 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, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God , now and forever. Amen

THE WORD

I Peter I:17-25¹⁷ And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay *here* in fear; ¹⁸ knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, *like* silver or gold, from your aimless conduct *received* by tradition from your fathers, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. ²⁰ He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you ²¹ who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. ²² Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart, ²³ having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever, ²⁴ because "All flesh *is* as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, And its flower falls away, ²⁵ But the word of the LORD endures forever." Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

Luke 24:13-35 ¹³ Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ And they talked together of all these things which had happened. ¹⁵ So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶ But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him. ¹⁷ And He said to them, "What kind of conversation *is* this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?" ¹⁸ Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, "Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?" ¹⁹ And He said to them, "What things?" So they said to Him, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ "and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. ²¹ "But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened.²² "Yes, and certain women of our company, who arrived at the tomb early, astonished us.²³ "When they did not find His body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said He was alive. ²⁴ "And certain of those who were with us went to the tomb and found *it* just as the women had said; but Him they did not see." ²⁵ Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken!²⁶ "Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?" ²⁷ And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. ²⁸ Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther.²⁹ But they constrained Him, saying, "Abide with us, for it is

toward evening, and the day is far spent." And He went in to stay with them. ³⁰ Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke *it*, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. ³² And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" ³³ So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those *who were* with them gathered together, ³⁴ saying, "The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ And they told about the things *that had happened* on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

"Abide with Us, the Day is Waning"

By Caspar J. Boye, 1791-1853 Sung by Ann Sprengeler and Vanessa Ude I. "Abide with us, the day is waning,"Thus prayed the two while on the way;We read that Thou, o Lord, remaining,Didst all their doubts and fears allay.Incline Thine ear, Thou King of Grace,When, praying thus, we see Thy face.

At eventide, Thy Spirit sending,
 Help us, o Lord, our watch to keep,
 In prayer devout before Thee bending
 Ere our eyelids close in sleep,
 Confessing sin in deed and word
 With hope of mercy from the Lord.

Abide with us; with heavenly gladness
 Illumine, Lord, our darkest day;
 And when we weep in pain and sadness,
 Be Thou our Solace, Strength, and Stay.
 Tell of Thy woe, Thy victory won,
 When Thou didst pray: "Thy will be done."

SERMON

Acts 2:36-41 ³⁶ "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ." ³⁷ Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?" ³⁸ Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ "For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." ⁴⁰ And with many other words he testified and exhorted them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation." ⁴¹ Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added *to them*.

THE PROMISE OF THE LORD'S RESSURECTION

His promise is for all. His promise is always true. His promise is forgiveness, the Holy Spirit and salvation from the mess we have made of our life.

"Thy Strong Word "

By Martin H. Franzmann, 1907-76 Performed by Mark Brown-Kempenaar and Greta Albrecht

Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; at thy speaking it was done; for created light we thank thee, while thine ordered seasons run: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

From the cross Thy wisdom shining Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might Grom the cross forever beameth All Thy bright redeeming light Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end! God the Father, Light-Creator, to thee laud and honor be; to thee, Light of Light begotten, praise be sung eternally; Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer, glory, glory be to thee; mortals, angels, now and ever praise the Holy Trinity.

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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, b ut deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make
 His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and
 give you peace. Amen

"Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"

by Christian F. Gellert, 1715-1769 Performed by Mark Brown-Kempenaar and Greta Albrecht

I. Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands,
For our offenses given;
But now at God's right hand He stands
And brings us life from heaven;
Therefore let us joyful be
And sing to God right thankfully
Loud songs of hallelujah!
Hallelujah!

2. It was a strange and dreadful strife
When Life and Death contended;
The victory remained with Life,
The reign of Death was ended;
Holy Scripture plainly saith
That Death is swallowed up by Death,
His sting is lost forever.
Therefore let us joyful be
And sing to God right thankfully
Loud songs of hallelujah!
Hallelujah!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNTERS

This Week

Team #3 Lynn Dumke, Roy Draheim

Next Week

Team #4 Greg Jones, Jim Kok

Counters are encouraged to call Lynn and ask to be excused if they are at higher risk.

FRUITS OF FAITH

General: \$1570

PRIVATE COMMUNION

Those wishing to receive communion are encouraged to contact pastor Ude to make arrangements.



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