

St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church

1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213

May 12th, 2024

8:30 & 11:00 am Services

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Introduction for the Day: 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!

We welcome the Choir of Trinity Episcopal Church, Wauwatosa at our 8:30 service. They are joining their voices singing with our Senior Choir in worship today. Thank you to Trinity's Music Director and Organist, Dr. Curt Sather, for arranging this possibility. After this service our Senior Choir will walk over to Trinity Church to sing for their 10:00 service. It's a great way to share our music with the ecumenical community.

Gathering

Prelude	8:30	<i>Concerto No. 2 in F major: Allegro assai</i> by J. S. Bach Arranged for Piano & Organ by W. A. Goldsworthy Dr. Curt Sather & John Paradowski
	11:00	<i>Voluntary No. 1 in E Minor</i> – William Walond [c. 1725-1770]

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Ann Williams

Temple Talk "Building Renewal" Kickoff

Please stand as you are able.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

When we were baptized, we died and were buried with Christ.

We were baptized so that we might have a new life, as Christ was raised to life by the glory of God our Creator.

Therefore, let us confess our sins to God so that we may receive the gifts our Savior so desires to give.

(Silence for meditation and self-examination)

Almighty and all-merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy Spirit work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

In this is love, not that we loved God, but that God loved us and sent the Son to atone for our sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven. Let the perfect love of God cast out fear, fill you with joy, and inspire you to live for others.

Amen.

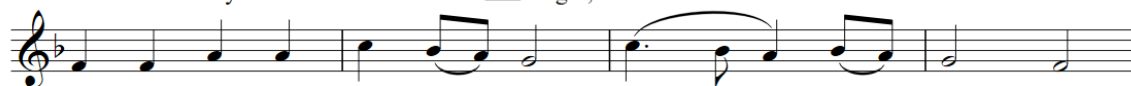
Gathering Song

Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise

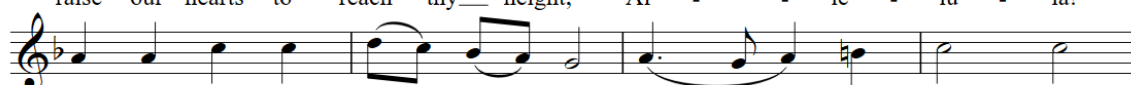
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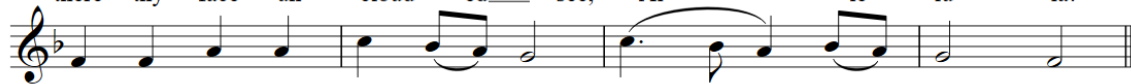
1. Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - - le - lu - ia!
 2. There the glo - rious tri - umph waits; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 3. See! he lifts his hands a - bove; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 4. Lord be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - - le - lu - ia!



glo - rious to his na - tive skies; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - - le - lu - ia!
 See! he shows the prints of love; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 raise our hearts to reach thy height, Al - - le - lu - ia!



Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Wide un - fold the ra - diant scene; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - - le - lu - ia!
 there thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - - le - lu - ia!



en - ters now the high - est heaven! Al - - le - lu - ia!
 take the King of glo - ry in! Al - - le - lu - ia!
 bless - ings on his Church be - low. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 find our heaven of heavens in thee. Al - - le - lu - ia!

Opening Litany for the Seventh Sunday of Easter & Apostolic Greeting

The Lord is Risen!

He is risen indeed!

The Lord is near to those who journey in faith.

Guard and protect us as we deepen our faith.

The Lord is near to all those who trust in him.

Guard and protect us as we face difficulties.

The Lord is near to all those who need care.

Guard and protect us as we live as your loved ones.

The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

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.

Anthem 8:30 Service *Look at the World* by John Rutter
 Combined Choirs of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church and Trinity Episcopal
 Church, Dr. Curt Sather, Director of Music/Organist.

Look at the world, everything all around us: Look at the world, and marvel every day. Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, So many miracles along our way.

Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, Give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and every blessing, All things come of thee.

Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; Look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain; Look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, Valley and flowing river, field and plain:

Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, Give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and every blessing, All things come of thee.

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer Bringing the harvest before the winter's cold. Everything grows, everything has a season, Till it is gathered to the Father's fold:

Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, Give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and every blessing, All things come of thee.

Every good gift, all that we need and cherish Comes from the Lord in token of his love; We are his hands, stewards of all his bounty; His is the earth, and his the heavens above:

Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, Give us thankful hearts, that we may see: All the gifts we share, and every blessing, All things come of thee.

Word

First Reading

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In the days between Jesus' ascension and Pentecost, Peter oversees the process whereby one of the members of the community of believers is chosen to be the twelfth apostle, in order to fill the vacancy created by Judas's treachery and death.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 John 5:9-13

God has borne witness to the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ. Whoever believes in the Son of God believes in the witness of God and has the promise of eternal life.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ Is Risen!

1. Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ri - sen! The earth has been sha - ken!
2. Christ is a - ris - en; his great sac - ri - fice jus - ti - fies us.



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ri - sen! The tomb is for - sak - en!
His Ho - ly Spir - it, in an - swer to prayer, un - i - fies us.



Death's reign is done, life ev - er - last - ing be - gun!
Death's reign is done, life ev - er - last - ing be - gun,



We from our graves shall a - wak - en!
Rich - ly our dear Lord sup - plies us!

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Gospel

John 17:6-19

In this reading the church hears Jesus' words on the night before his death—his prayer for his disciples and for all who would believe in him through their words.

The Lord is risen!

He is risen indeed!

The holy gospel according to John, the 17th chapter.

Glory to you, O risen Lord!

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O risen Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Ann Williams

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn of the Day

#640 **Our Father, by Whose Name**

Prayer Cards, which can be found in the pew racks, will be collected during the Hymn of the Day

(8:30 Service)

Profession of Faith

Nicene Creed

p. 104 or inside back cover of the hymnal

Please be seated.

(8:30 Service, please turn to page 7.)

(11:00 Service Continues Here.)

Service of Holy Baptism for Annie Crain

Please follow along in your Hymnals on Page 227.

Please be seated.

Presentation

Please stand as you are able.

Profession of Faith

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? If so answer, I renounce them.

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

Please be seated.

Thanksgiving at the Font

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning . . .

. . . through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Baptism

Baptismal Response

#212 You Belong to Christ

You be - long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Welcome

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

*(Both Services Continue Here)**Please stand as you are able.*

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.

...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

Jesus said: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be
troubled." The peace of the risen Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated.

Meal

Musical Offering

Prelude on "Rhosymedre" Ralph Vaughn Williams

Please stand as you are able.

Offertory Response

God, Gather Us from Many Strands

1. God, ga - ther_ us from man - y__ strands, to__ form the__
2. God, fash - ion_ us by your own_ Word, to__ wear the__
3. God, spread us__ out in faith, to__ act as__ com - fort -



pat - tern of your hands; that, in the__ weav - ing__
im - print of our Lord, and, make of__ us, in__
-ers to all who've lacked the__ strength to__ seek, the__



you have done the__ han - di - work is yours a - lone.
all our_ days, a__ fab - ric__ of un - ceas - ing praise.
will to__ cope. O__ make of__ us a source of hope!

Stitches of Love Quilt Ministry Blessing

Lord, bind us together in one community of love, founded on the faith that your love and grace is everlasting. We ask for your presence today as we present these blankets for your blessing. We wrap these pews with offerings of cloth and thread.

Bless these quilts, O Lord, we pray.

We wrap these pews with offerings of time, energy, love, and care.

Bless these quilts, O Lord, we pray.

We send these quilts to wrap the people of this world.

Bless those wrapped, O Lord, we pray.

We send these quilts as fabric signs of warmth and care.

Bless those warmed, O Lord, we pray.

We are a blessed and warmed people. We give thanks for the many blessings out of which we share.

Continue to warm and bless us, O Lord, we pray.

Into your Hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

At the 8:30 service the K5 students will lead the Lord's prayer, while the Congregation prays silently.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.

Please be seated.

Invitation to Communion

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

The risen Christ invites us to this table.

Come, eat, and be satisfied.

Call to Communion

God Bless to Us Our Bread

Communion Hymn

#523 Let Us Go Now to the Banquet/*Canto de entrada*

Please stand as you are able.

Communion Response

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his light and grace.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, we have shared your one bread, your one body, with all Christians, everywhere. Unify your people. Make us one, one in you. You are the Lord forevermore.

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.

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

8:30

Trumpet Tune in D – Maurice Green [1695-1775]

11:00

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