

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 27, 2025 9:30 AM



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

"We live in Christ and share God's love with all people."

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Welcome to worship at Christ Lutheran Church! For all attending, we invite you to sign in on the friendship pad in your pew.

We gratefully acknowledge that we gather on the ancestral homelands of the Lummi Nation of the Coast Salish language group who have stewarded this land since time immemorial, and we commit to the ongoing care of our shared land and relationships with its indigenous peoples.

For our younger friends there are busy bags and worship buddies available in the back of the church. You are welcome to bring your child to the Pray Ground (accessed outside the sanctuary entrance) for any portion of the service, where you can listen to the service through a speaker.

Hearing assist units and large print bulletins are available as you enter the sanctuary. Please see an usher for assistance with these or any part of the worship service.

*We encourage you to participate in worship at your comfort level. **The congregation reads the bold print and** stands as they are able.*

SUNDAY, APRIL 27 | PARTICIPATING IN OUR CHURCH

Presiding: Pr. Leigh DeVries

Greeter: Matt Durkee & Paula Saunders

Ushers: Nancy & Geoff Tupper

Communion Assistant: Linda Luke

Youth Assistant: Natalie Springer

Reader: Susan Holmes

Prayers of Intercession: Susan Holmes

Team: Matt Springer, Jenise Clausen, Becky McGrady, Janet Wilhoite, Erin Beebe

Cantor: Matt Springer

Piano/Organ: Don Clausen, Nancy Sheng

Violin: Joanne Donnellan

Flute: Nancy Tupper

Altar Guild: Becky McGrady & Lillian Huber

Livestream Technician: Beth Andres

Soundboard Technician: Sam McGrady

Liturgical Setting: Now the Feast & Celebration

STAFF PARTICIPATING IN OUR CHURCH

Rev. Leigh DeVries, lead pastor: pastor@clcferndale.org

Rev. Liza Okan, preschool director: preschooldirector@clcferndale.org

Don Clausen, music director: musicdirector@clcferndale.org

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Sunday — April 27, 2025 — 9:30am

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"MIGHTY TO SAVE"
"MEET US HERE"

CLC TEAM

GREETING

PR. LEIGH DEVRIES

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

WELCOME

PR. LEIGH

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

PR. LEIGH

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

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do.

**Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

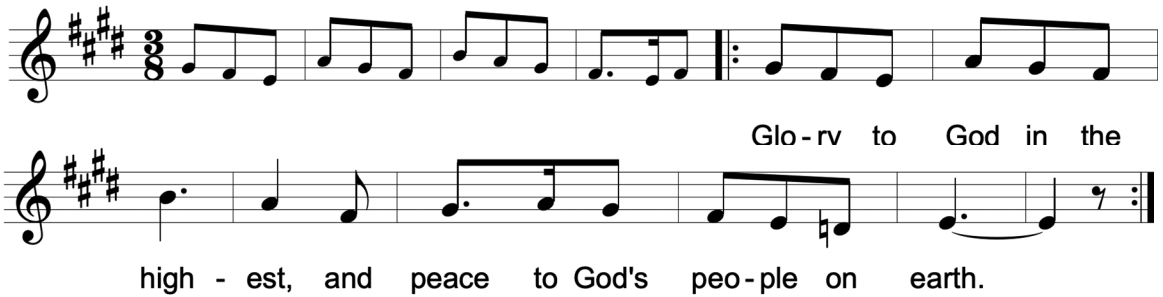
And also with you.

GATHERING HYMN "THE DAY OF RESURRECTION!"

ELW #361

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: GLORY TO GOD

ASSEMBLY SINGS REPEATEDLY



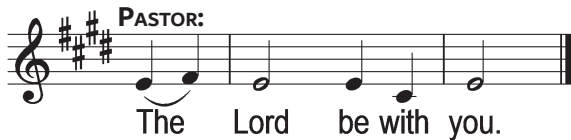
Glo-ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Sung by cantor:

1. You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we acclaim you. You are God eternal; all creation worships you. (*Refrain*)
2. All the angels in the heavens chant your praise in endless song! Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might. (*Refrain*)
3. The apostles all praise you. All the prophets acclaim you. All the martyrs and your faithful people worship you. (*Refrain*)
4. God, Creator, we praise you. Jesus the Christ, we adore you. Spirit of the Living God, we worship you.

SALUTATION

PASTOR:



The Lord be with you.

CONGREGATION:



And al - so with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of life,

you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

You may be seated.

WORD

THE FIRST READING: ACTS 5:27-32

²⁷When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: PSALM 150

¹Hallelujah! Praise God in the holy temple;
praise God in the mighty firmament.

²**Praise God for mighty acts;
praise God for exceeding greatness.**

³Praise God with trumpet sound;
praise God with lyre and harp.

⁴**Praise God with tambourine and dance;
praise God with strings and pipe.**

⁵Praise God with resounding cymbals;
praise God with loud clanging cymbals.

⁶**Let everything that has breath
praise the Lord. Hallelujah!**

THE SECOND READING: REVELATION 1:4-8

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

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

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

PR. LEIGH

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When

he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name. The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: BLESSING OF THE QUILTS

PR. LEIGH

MESSAGE

PR. LEIGH

HYMN OF THE DAY

"NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISES"

ELW #379

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us 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 dead².**

**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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Inspire the church with the breath of your Holy Spirit, that we sing the good news of the resurrection. Inspire deacons and pastors, lay leaders and bishops to boldly proclaim your love for all people. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Preserve the earth as a safe home for all creatures. Restore habitats contaminated by pollution or overuse, strengthen efforts to shape more sustainable communities, and make us mindful of the impacts of our daily lives on the well-being of creation. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Kindle in the nations a spirit of cooperation and mutual care. Raise up creative and courageous leaders committed to shaping just solutions to complex challenges in our local and global communities. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Embrace all who carry wounds, that they might know your compassion. Draw near to those with chronic pain or anxiety, and all for whom death is near. Comfort individuals and communities suffering in any way (especially). Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Transform our fear into curiosity and love, especially across differences in race, religion, sexuality, gender identity, and economic situation. Unravel stereotypes that lead to discrimination, and destroy oppressive systems that marginalize vulnerable communities. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We remember the faithful departed from all times and places. Confident that you are the Alpha and Omega, we pray for your wisdom and guidance until our earthly pilgrimage is complete. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

PR. LEIGH

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

You may be seated.

MEAL

GIFT OF MUSIC

"AMAZING GRACE, MY CHAINS ARE GONE"
- NEWSTON/TOMLIN/GIGLIO

MATT SPRINGER
& TEAM

CALL FOR OFFERING

PR. LEIGH

Stewardship is a response of gratitude and thanksgiving for what God has done for us. You are invited to respond to God's gifts with your own financial gifts through the offering. You may use offering envelopes (extras found at the end of the hymnal rack) or give using any of these ways:

- *Mail checks to the CLC P.O. Box 845 or send a check through your bank's Bill Pay service. Please be sure to add "Attn: Financial Secretary" to the envelope;*
- *Give through the Church Center App (use QR code to download the app);*
- *Give through Church Center online: christ-lutheran-church-ferndale.churchcenter.com; and;*
- *Text any dollar amount to 84321.*



TABLE HYMN: AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT

REFRAIN:



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath - ered in - to one to be - come our bread;



So may all your peo-ple from all the ends of earth be



gath - ered in - to one in you.



1. As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,

2. Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come, when



may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

THE OFFERING IS PRESENTED AND THE TABLE IS PREPARED

OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One,

**you have gathered us around your table of grace
along with these gifts we bring.**

Come among us again,

breathe your life into us,

and enliven us with this meal,

that we may live as your risen body in the world.

Amen.

INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNION

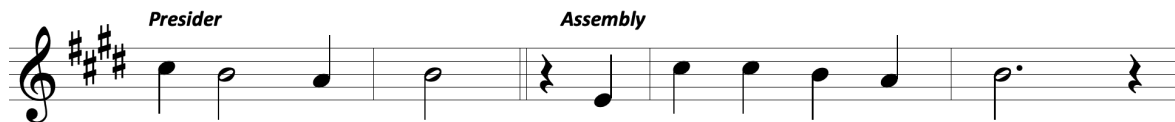
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STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al-so 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 our duty and delight
 that we should everywhere and always
 offer thanks and praise to you, O God
 through Jesus Christ
 who by His death on the cross
 and glorious resurrection broke the
 bonds of sin and death and
 gave life to all creation
 and so with the church on earth
 all creation and the host of heaven
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Assembly

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
 might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the One who comes in your
 name. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The first staff begins with a 6/8 time signature. The second staff changes to 3/8 time, then to 3/4 time, and finally to 6/8 time. The third and fourth staves continue in 6/8 time. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

On the night of his arrest, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people
 for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death
 until he comes.

To you, O God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be all honor and glory in your holy
 church, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us in the language of our hearts.

1983 Version

**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.**

1892 Version

**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,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

INVITATION TO TABLE

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

You may be seated.

COMMUNION

All who desire a renewed relationship with Jesus, who is present in the bread and wine, are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Children of any age, with the consent of a parent or guardian, are welcome to commune, or may come forward to receive a blessing instead. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. If you have any allergies or sensitivities to gluten, wheat, yeast, dairy, soy, nut, or corn, please ask for the wafer alternative, as they are made in a facility that is free of these allergens.

If you prefer to take communion at your seat, please notify an usher to have it brought to you. Communion education is available for those who have not been baptized or who desire instruction; please speak with the pastor after worship.

COMMUNION HYMN: Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha-tred and
 Lamb of God, you are the way of jus-tice and
 Lamb of God, you are the way of mer-cy and



world: have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.
 fear: have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.
 peace: have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.
 love: have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: grant us peace,



grant us peace, grant us peace.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

CLC TEAM

"MAN OF SORROWS"

"JESUS, DRAW ME CLOSE"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PR. LEIGH

Living One,

in this feast you have made yourself known to us.

Send us now to tell of your wonders,

sing of your glory,

and proclaim your risen life

to a wounded and weary world.

Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTH/BATHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES

PR. LEIGH

*Happy birth/bathday to you, happy anniversary to you,
may the Lord bless and keep you another year through.*

BLESSING

PR. LEIGH

The triune God,
who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit,
light your way with resurrection dawn,
now and always.

Amen.**SENDING HYMN****"ALLELUIA! JESUS IS RISEN"****ELW #377****DISMISSAL**

PR. LEIGH

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**POSTLUDE**

Please hold these people in prayer:

- The family and friends Marilyn Wren;
- Jim, Victoria, Dolly, Darlene, Marilyn, Paul, Christine, Rachel, Mary K., Scott, Paula, Marina, Ruthanne, Nancy, Sean, Mike, Teri, Jeremiah, Ken, Pat, Carol, Mary Ann, Janet, Sarah, Sara, Caitlin, Jacob, Christine, Ashley, Amore, Amber, Darryl, Victoria, John, Rosemary, Angel, Eric, Kim, Lucia, Michele, Ken, Tony, Amanda, Rick, Jim, Kevin, Lindsey, Kent, Leslie, Rob, Paul, Aimee, Kennedy Sue, Luna, Jo Ann, Shane, Rich, Pam, Connor, Lynn, Ken, Kathy, Nathan, Carolyn, Howard;
- all who are homebound, or in assisted living facilities;
- those who travel;
- Brandon, Ron, Melissa, Robert, Scott, Thomas, Rick, and all serving in the military;
- those struggling with addictions and illnesses affecting the mind and spirit;
- those struggling with deteriorating health.

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