



RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

10:30AM

PRELUDE

Chorale
Ye choirs of New Jerusalem

JONGEN
STANFORD

INTROIT

Vidi Aquam

MICHAEL MCCARTHY (*Contemporary*)

*Vidi aquam egredientem de templo,
a latere dextro, alleluia:
Et omnes, ad quos pervenit aqua ista,
salvi facti sunt et dicent, alleluia.*

*Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus:
quoniam in saeculum misericordia ejus.*

*Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.*

*I saw water flowing from the temple,
on the right side, alleluia:
And all to whom that water came
have been saved, and they will say, alleluia.*

*Worship the Lord, for he is good:
for his mercy is forever.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.*

We stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✚ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved

our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!
3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!
4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!
praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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.

GLORIA

Fast and lively

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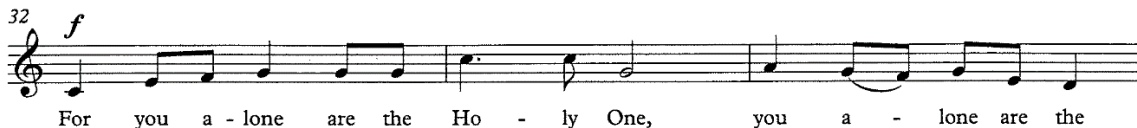
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peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al -

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- migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

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praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the

18
Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the

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sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

We sit.

WORD

FIRST READING

ACTS 10: 34-43

A reading from Acts.

PETER began to speak to the people: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL PSALM

Sung by the choir.

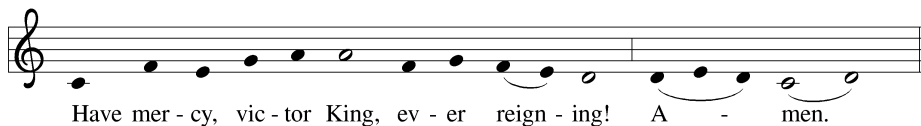
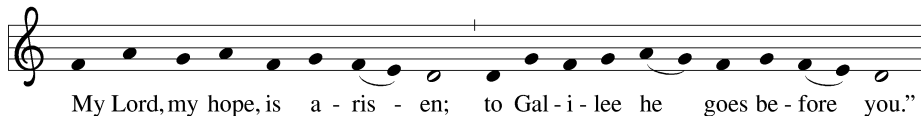
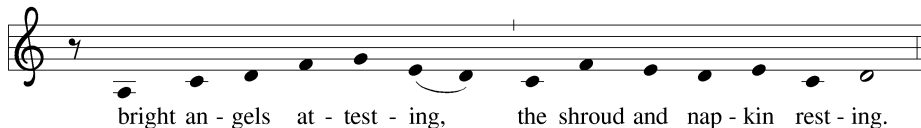
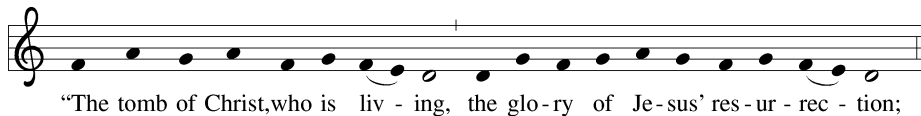
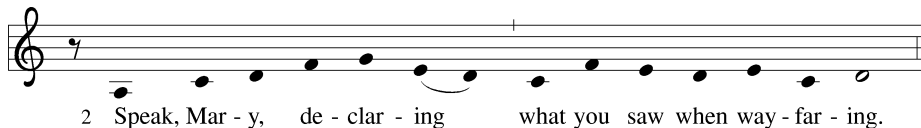
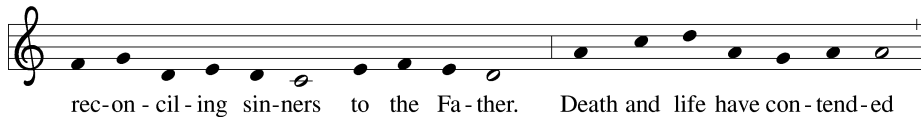
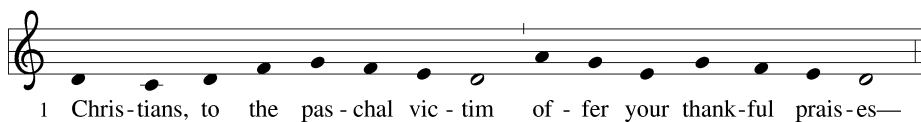
118: 1-2; 14-24

GIVE thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. Let Israel now proclaim, “His mercy endures forever.” The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous: “The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! The right hand of the lord is exalted! The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!” I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. The lord has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death. Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord. “This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter.” I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation. The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes. On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

We stand.

SEQUENCE

VÍCTIMAE PASCHÁLI LAUDES



GOSPEL

MARK 16:1-8

The holy gospel according to St. Mark the sixteenth chapter..

Glory to you, O Lord.

WHEN the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

SERMON

PASTOR GRORUD

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY

CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN

Martin Luther's Easter Hymn



1 Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands for our of - fens - es giv - en;
2 Our Sav - ior Je - sus, God's own Son, here in our stead de - scend - ed;
3 Here the true Pas - chal Lamb we see, whom God so free - ly gave us,
4 So let us keep the fes - ti - val to which the Lord in - vites us;
5 Then let us feast this Eas - ter day on Christ the bread of heav - en;



but now at God's right hand he stands and brings us life from heav - en.
the knot of sin has been un - done, the claim of death is end - ed.
who died on the ac - curs - ed tree— so strong God's love!—to save us.
Christ is the ver - y joy of all, the sun that warms and lights us.
the Word of grace has purged a - way the old and e - vil leav - en.



There - fore let us joy - ful be and sing to God right thank - ful - ly
Christ has crushed the pow'r of hell; now there is naught but death's gray shell—
See, his blood now marks our door; faith points to it; death pas - ses o'er,
Now his grace to us im - parts e - ter - nal sun - shine to our hearts;
Christ a - lone, our ho - ly meal, the hun - gry soul will feed and heal;



loud songs of hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!
its sting is lost for - ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!
and Sa - tan can - not harm us. Hal - le - lu - jah!
the night of sin is end - ed. Hal - le - lu - jah!
faith lives up - on no oth - er! Hal - le - lu - jah!

HOLY BAPTISM

Noelle Pamela Nelson

Parents: **Kyle and Carolyn Nelson** *Sponsors:* **Kristine Geils and Hope Hespeler**

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

PRESENTATION

Parents and sponsors: We present Noelle Pamela Nelson for baptism.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

Parents and sponsors: I do.

As you bring Noelle to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with your child among God's faithful people,
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in her hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture her in faith and prayer,
so that your child may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help this child grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and sponsors: I do.

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Noelle in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: I do.

People of God, do you promise to support Noelle and pray for her in his new life in Christ?

We do.

Assembly stands

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?

Parents, sponsors, and congregation: I renounce them.

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

Parents, sponsors, and congregation: I renounce them.

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

Parents, sponsors, and congregation: I renounce them.

As the whole people of God, let us profess our baptismal faith:

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. Amen.

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 our thanks and praise.

Water is poured into the font.

We give thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Assembly is seated.

BAPTISM

Noelle Pamela, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The minister places hands on head of newly baptized.

Let us pray: We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Noelle with the gift of your Holy Spirit, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

The minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of newly baptized.

Noelle, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

WELCOME

A representative of the congregation lights and presents the baptismal candle.

Representative: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Representative: 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.

Minister presents the child to the congregation.

We kneel or sit for the prayers.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each intercession ends with these words:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We stand.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We sit.

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Now The Queen of Seasons STEPHANIE MARTIN
(contemporary)

Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor, with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render; comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection welcomes in unwearied strains Jesu's resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal, nor the watchers, nor the seal hold thee as a mortal: but today amidst the twelve thou didst stand, bestowing that thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

Alleluia now we cry yet again, Alleluia!

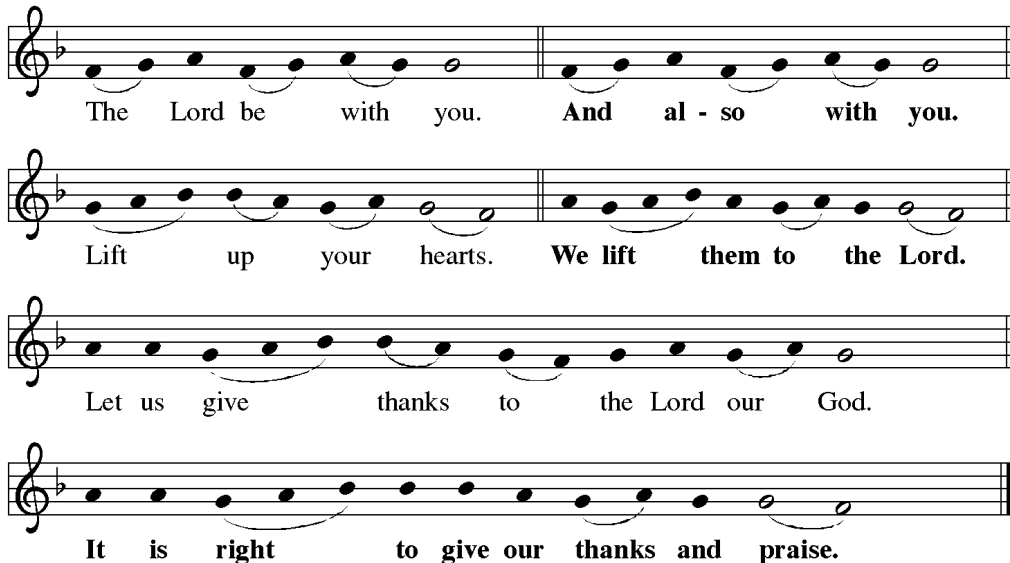
We stand.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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 indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Majestic

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Org. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and

6 *ff*

might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.

Slower

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Org. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

4 *pp*

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting, and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
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.

With all your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.



Our Fa - ther who art in__ hea - ven, Ha - llow'd be thy Name;
Thy king-dom come; thy will be__ done, on earth as it is in hea - ven.
Give us this day our__ dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres-pass-es as
we for-give those who tres - pass a - gainst__ us. And lead us
not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - li - ver us from e - vil. For thine is the
king-dom, the po - wer and the glo - ry, for e - ver and e - ver.
A - men. For e - ver and e - ver. A - men.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

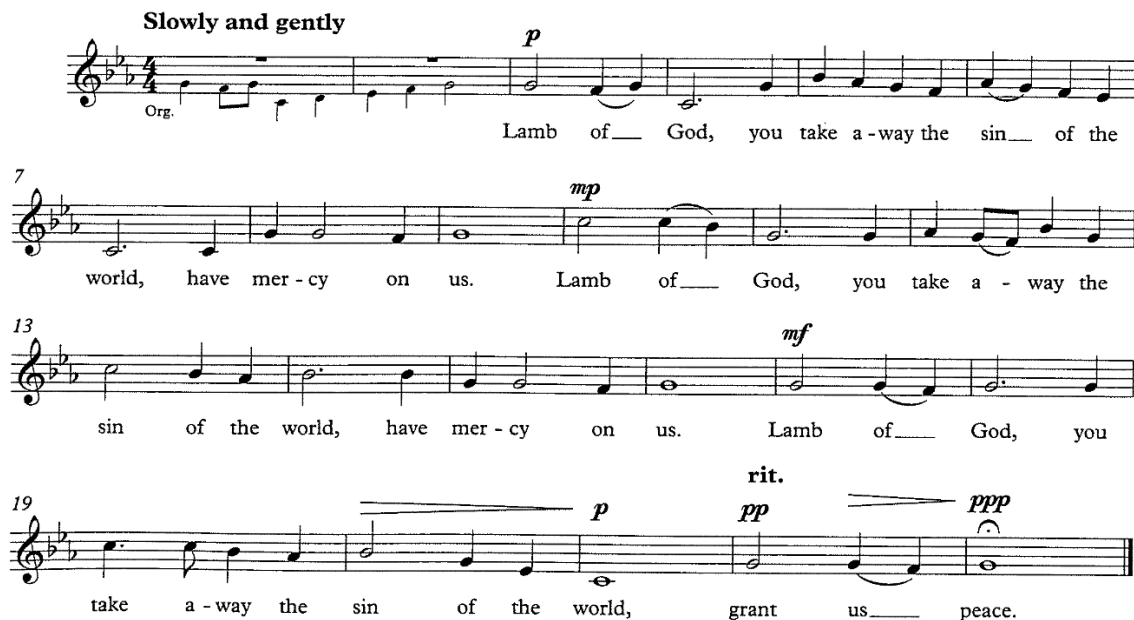
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All who believe that Jesus is present in the bread and wine, forgiving sin and promising eternal life, are welcome to the Table of the Lord. Gluten-free wafers are available if requested.

We sit.

LAMB OF GOD

Slowly and gently



Org. *p* Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

7 *mp* world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

13 *mf* sin of the world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you

19 *rit. pp ppp* take a-way the sin of the world, grant us peace.

MUSIC AT THE DISTRIBUTION

MOTET

Rise my heart ARLEN CLARKE (CONTEMPORARY)

We stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

May our glorious God
grant you a spirit of wisdom to know
and to love the risen Lord Jesus.
The God of life, Father, ✙ Son,
and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

*HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

1 Thine is the glory,
risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry
thou o'er death hast won!
Angels in bright raiment
rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes
where thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine is the glory,
risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry
thou o'er death hast won!

2 Lo, Jesus meets thee,
risen from the tomb!
Lovingly he greets thee,
scatters fear and gloom;
let his church with gladness
hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth;
death hath lost its sting! [Refrain]

Refrain:

Thine is the glory,
risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry
thou o'er death hast won!

3 No more we doubt thee,
glorious Prince of life;
life is naught without thee;
aid us in our strife;
make us more than conqu'rors,
through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan
to thy home above. [Refrain]

DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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Organist	Cantor Nathan K. Lively-Greyling
Worship Assistant	Michele Effren
Reader	Susan Ylitalo
Communion Assistant	Michele Effren, Anita Gallo
Acolytes	Leo McCullough, Sofia Medeiros, Liz Ylitalo
Usher	
Altar Committee	Sheila Koch
Counters	Diane Egley, Joe & Cheryl Milukas, Michele Taylor
Musicians	St. John's Choir and the Jordans
Coffee Hour	Church Council - Beldotti Bakery

The Easter Lilies given in loving memory of:

RICHARD BARTLETT
given by Pamela Bartlett

HER PARENTS
given by Kathy Caraballo

BRUCE KOCH
given by Sheila Koch

RUTH JOHNSON & VERONICA OLSEN
given by Diane Egley

HER PARENTS, SISTER & HUSBAND, BILL EGLEY
given by Diane Egley

LOVED ONES
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given by Amy Newhall

LOVED ONES
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ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
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given by David Hendrickson

Christmas Eve Services, Tuesday, December 24

Family Holy Communion with Pageant | 5pm

Candlelight Holy Communion with choir | 8:30

Prayer requests A new prayer list will be made every month. If you have names to submit, please email Nancy.

MISSION STATEMENT

All are welcome! We share Christ's love, grow in faith, and serve others.

INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Congregation of St. John's Lutheran Church Stamford CT is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Munsee Lenape, Schaghticoke, Mohican, and Wappinger peoples. We give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial and wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

The background of the entire poster is a detailed, close-up photograph of organ pipes. The pipes are arranged in a dense, overlapping pattern, with some showing intricate metalwork and others having a more polished, reflective surface. The lighting creates a warm, golden-brown glow, highlighting the textures and curves of the pipes.

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