Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 2024 10:30 AM



Christ Appears to the Disciples at the Table after the Resurrection by Duccio di Buoninsegna (d. 1319)

University Lutheran Church of Hope is a welcoming, Christian community of faith centered on God's grace and called to demonstrate God's love for the world. University Lutheran Church of Hope is a Reconciling in Christ congregation and a sanctuary congregation with a commitment to racial equity.

Welcome. Peace be with you.

We continue our holy experiment. We're worshiping together in-person, and also offering a virtual option on Zoom and YouTube. Welcome to all!

For those worshiping in-person, please remember:

- **To support the health and wellness of all those among us,** feel welcome to use masks and hand sanitizer, stay current with your vaccinations, and stay home as needed if you are unwell.
- **We honor one another's boundaries** by asking permission to be in close proximity, and finding alternate ways to greet one another and share the peace (a deep bow, the peace sign, an air hug, etc.). Our risk levels and comfort differ.
- * In our service today, we will share Holy Communion. Ushers will direct you.
- If you are new to the community and wish to speak with a Pastor or be included in our communication and activities, fill out the blue slip in the pew rack and give it to an usher. We'll follow up. It's also just fine to be anonymous. To get more involved, check out our website: http://www.ulch.org/ To receive the weekly enews, the Thursday Epistle, contact our church administrator at ulch@ulch.org.
- Children are welcome in worship. Kids, grab your SPARK Story Bibles. Craft tables are available for families. Note: The nursery is not staffed, but is available for your use. The nursery is on the upper level of the education wing, most easily reached from the doors nearest the baptismal font.
- **After worship, enjoy the time to linger for conversation** in the lounge, courtyard and patio.

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor Jen Nagel (presiding minister); Pastor Maria Anderson-Lippert (preacher); Ann Beane (assisting minister); The Hope Choir, Robert Ragoonanan (musicians); Mary Perez, Erik Strand (communion servers); John Beane (lector); Seth Strudthoff (worship tech facilitator); Ann Agrimson (Zoom facilitator); Sharlene Hensrud (greeter); Scott Hvizdos, Bimose Rowan, Jim Rowan, Ron Sorensen (ushers); Jacob Lanthier, Magda VanHeuvelen (acolytes); Aaron Scheel (altar guild); Julie and Robert Paschke (communion clean-up); Julie Reimann, Ann Rolle (healing prayer); Diane Greve (land acknowledgement); Ben Hartmann and Fellowship Meal (fellowship)

GATHERING

+ Indicates the assembly stand as able.
Assembly parts are marked in **bold**. **ELW** refers to the red hymnal, Evangelical Lutheran Worship. **ACS** refers to All Creation Sings, an ELW supplement.

Prelude A Pleasant Thought

Florence Price (1887-1953)

Welcome

Land Acknowledgment

This Land Acknowledgment, and our response, are both a work in progress. We're actively engaged in a process to move beyond a simple acknowledgement, and toward a more active commitment. Watch for more opportunities for our community.

We gather for worship on the land of our Creator. Many of us and our church building dwell in the traditional home of the Dakota people, and a land over which the Anishinaabeg people and others also moved. They gathered and ate food, rested, died and gave birth, and prayed here, and many still do.

+Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Look, here is water! Here is our water of life! Alleluia! Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.

Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection,

you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,

freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you,

through the risen Christ, our source of living water,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

+ Processional Hymn

In Thee is Gladness

ELW 867

+ Greeting

The grace of the Risen Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

+ Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Holy, Embodied God, just as you were born in a body, you are also resurrected as a body - bones, muscles, flesh, and all. Be with us in our wonder, our disbelief, our joy at the promise of your bodily resurrection that we might live and act with the same reverence for all people, all bodies, all creation, in the way that you do. Amen.

Word

Children's Message

First Reading - Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, has glorified Jesus, the servant of God, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though Pilate had decided to release him. But you rejected the holy and righteous one and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in the name of Jesus, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what had been foretold through all the prophets, that the Messiah of God would suffer. Repent, therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

arrepiéntanse y vuélvanse a Dios. Palabra de Dios, palabra de vida. **Demos gracias a Dios.**

Psalm 4

Read responsively

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

Responde a mi clamor, Dios de mi justicia. Dame alivio cuando esté angustiado, apiádate de mí y escucha mi oración.

Al ver esto, Pedro dijo: «Pueblo de Israel, ¿por qué les

sorprende lo que ha pasado? ¿Por qué nos miran como si,

por nuestro propio poder o devoción, hubiéramos hecho

caminar a este hombre? El Dios de Abraham, de Isaac y

de Jacob, el Dios de nuestros antepasados, ha glorificado a

su siervo Jesús. Ustedes lo entregaron y lo rechazaron ante

Pilato, aunque este había decidido soltarlo. Rechazaron al

Mataron al autor de la vida, pero Dios lo levantó de entre

los muertos, y de eso nosotros somos testigos. Por la fe en

quien ustedes ven y conocen. Esta fe que viene por medio

el nombre de Jesús, él ha restablecido a este hombre a

de Jesús lo ha sanado por completo, como les consta a

ustedes. »Ahora bien, hermanos, yo sé que ustedes y sus

Dios cumplió lo que de antemano había anunciado por

padecer. Por tanto, para que sean borrados sus pecados,

medio de todos los profetas: que su Cristo tenía que

dirigentes actuaron así por ignorancia. Pero de este modo

Santo y Justo, y pidieron que se indultara a un asesino.

"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?"

Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; the LORD will hear me when I call.

Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

Offer the appointed sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.

Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?"

Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.

You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine abound.

In peace, I will lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.

Y ustedes, señores, ¿hasta cuándo cambiarán mi gloria en vergüenza?¿Hasta cuándo amarán ilusiones vanas y buscarán la mentira?

Sepan que el Señor honra al que le es fiel; el Señor me escucha cuando lo llamo.

Si se enojan, no pequen; cuando estén en sus camas examinen en silencio sus corazones.

Ofrezcan sacrificios de justicia y confíen en el Señor.

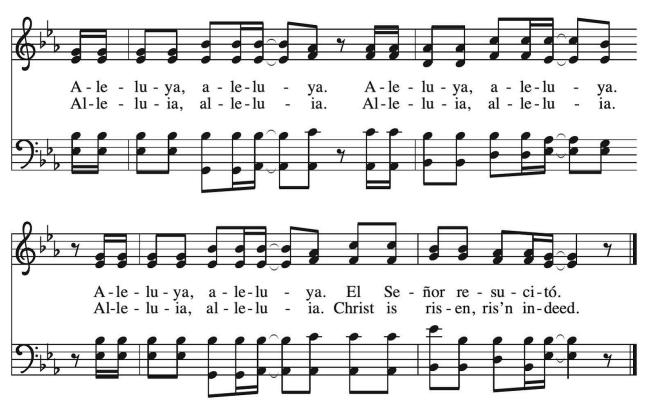
Muchos son los que dicen: «¿Quién puede mostrarnos algún bien?». ¡Haz, Señor, que sobre nosotros brille la luz de tu rostro!

Tú has hecho que mi corazón rebose de alegría, alegría mayor que la que tienen los que disfrutan de trigo y vino nuevo en abundancia.

En paz me acuesto y me duermo, porque solo tú, Señor, me haces vivir confiado.

+ Gospel Acclamation

ACS Setting 11



+ Gospel Reading - Luke 24:36b-48

The gospel according to Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see, for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. Yet for all their joy they were still disbelieving and wondering, and he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then Jesus said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

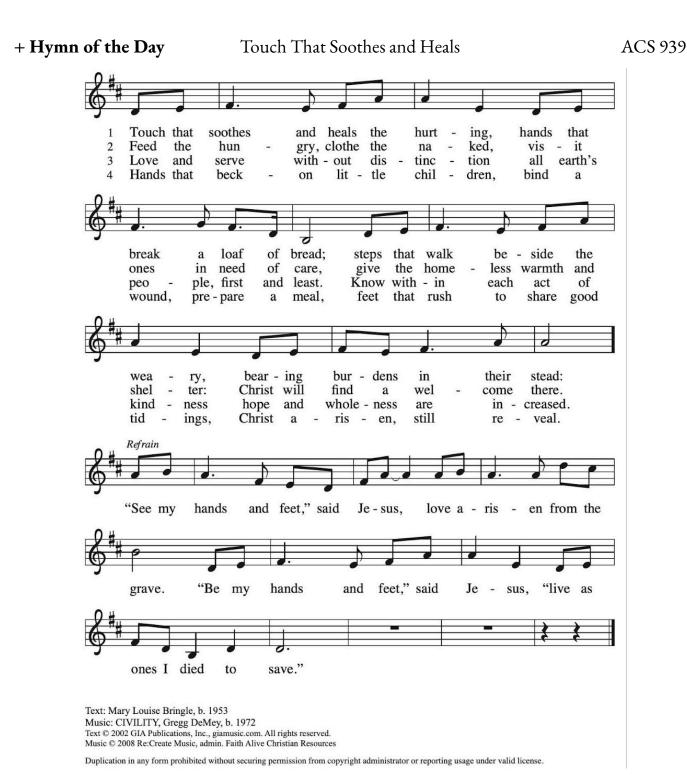
Jesús mismo se puso en medio de ellos y dijo:—¡La paz sea con ustedes! Aterrorizados, creyeron que veían a un espíritu. —¿Por qué se asustan tanto? —preguntó—. ¿Por qué les vienen dudas? Miren mis manos y mis pies. ¡Soy yo mismo! Tóquenme y vean; un espíritu no tiene carne ni huesos, como ven que los tengo yo. Dicho esto, les mostró las manos y los pies. Como ellos no acababan de creerlo a causa de la alegría y del asombro, preguntó: -¿Tienen aquí algo de comer? Le dieron un pedazo de pescado asado, así que lo tomó y se lo comió delante de ellos. Luego dijo:—Cuando todavía estaba yo con ustedes, les decía que tenía que cumplirse todo lo que está escrito acerca de mí en la Ley de Moisés, en los Profetas y en los Salmos. Entonces les abrió el entendimiento para que comprendieran las Escrituras. —Esto es lo que está escrito —les explicó—: que el Cristo padecerá y resucitará al tercer día; en su nombre se predicarán el arrepentimiento y el perdón de pecados a todas las naciones, comenzando por Jerusalén. Ustedes son testigos de estas cosas.

Todavía estaban ellos hablando acerca de esto, cuando

El Evangelio del Señor.

Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!

Sermon - Pastor Maria Anderson-Lippert



+ Prayers of the People

Following each petition:

Risen One, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

+ Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

La paz de Cristo sea siempre con ustedes.

And also with you.

Y también contigo.

All are invited to share the peace of Christ using these or similar words "Peace be with you" or "La paz del Señor."

MEAL

Offertory

Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

ELW 826

arr. Carl Schalk (1929-2021)

v. 1-2 choir and congregation v. 3. choir v. 4-5 choir and congregation

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Offerings can be sent electronically or by mail, or placed in the offering plate in the center of our space as you come forward for Holy Communion. Find more information on the last page of the bulletin.

+Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread, reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine, pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

+The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you.

And also with you.

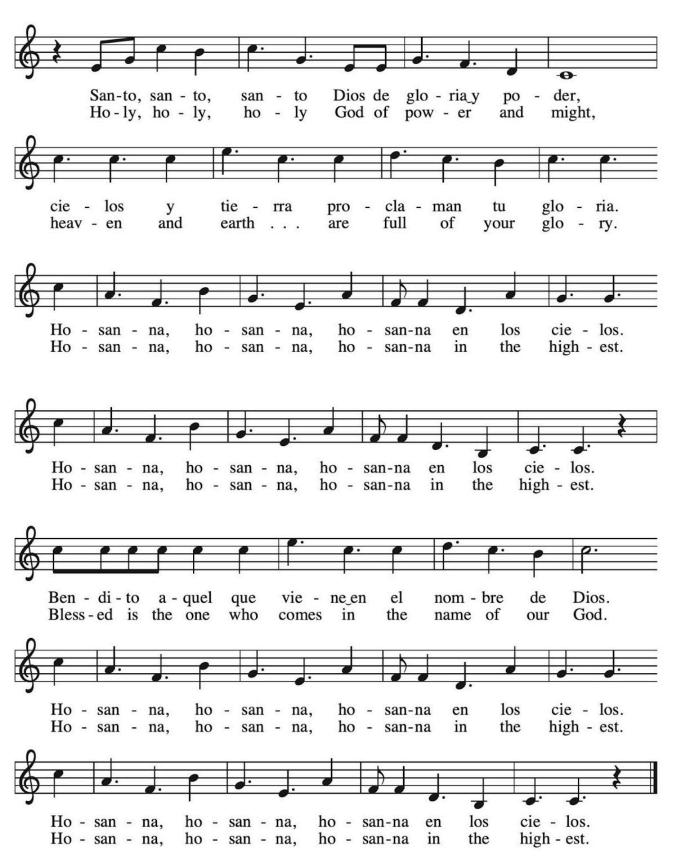
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to our God.

Let us give thanks to our gracious God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right.... we join their unending hymn:



From ACS Setting 11

+Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

+The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, Our Mother, 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.

Creador nuestro, Madre nuestra, Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder y tuya es la gloria, ahora y siempre. Amén.

Holy Communion

We believe that Jesus Christ is present in Holy Communion with gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. All who hunger for the presence of Christ in their life are invited to partake. By our participation in this meal and blessing, we are strengthened in faith and in life. All are welcome to commune.

If you are at home and sitting with others...

When sharing the bread with someone, say to them: "This is the body of Christ, given for you." When sharing the wine or grape juice, say, "This is the blood of Christ, shed for you."

If you are at home on your own...

Hear the voice of the pastor naming these promises of grace and life for you. If you'd prefer a blessing, hear these promises: "You are a beloved child of God. May God strengthen you with grace through Christ for all we face today."

If you are worshiping in-person today...

We invite you to come forward to receive the elements and hear the words of promise, or to receive a blessing. Following the direction of the ushers, come forward: pick up a cup, gather around the table, receive the bread (gluten free is available), the servers will pour into your cup either the red wine or white grape juice, place used cups in the basket. If you'd prefer, coming forward to the front for a blessing is always an option. Children of all ages are welcome to partake in the bread and juice at Holy Communion.

If you seek healing prayers today...

A healing minister is available during Holy Communion this morning. If you'd like prayers for healing for yourself, for those you love, or for other situations, you are invited to come to one of the healing ministers. You can ask for specific prayers, or simply ask them to pray with you...and they will. During this time, you may also dip into the baptismal waters and remember the promises, and light candles for situations around the world and close to home.

Music During Communion Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ	ELW 674
The Day of Resurrection	ELW 361
That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright	ELW 384

+Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. Amen.

+Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

+Sending Hymn

This Joyful Eastertide v. 1, 3

ELW 391

+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. Aleluya! ¡Vaya en Paz!
Rejoice and be glad. Regocíjate y alégrate.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Gracias a Dios! Aleluya!

Postlude Flourish for an Occasion Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

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