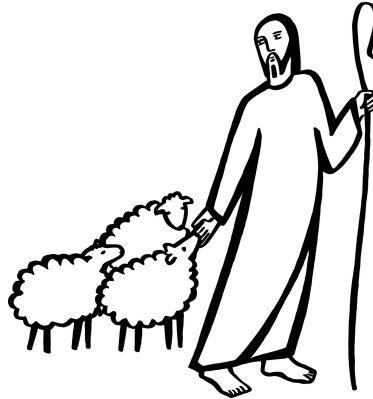


Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

10:30 AM



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 with a commitment to racial equity.

Welcome. Peace be with you.

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

For those worshipping 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.

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 acknowledgment, 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.

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 Hymn of Promise - “Warmly, with expression” Jeremy Bankson

Welcome

+ Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

¡Aleluya! ¡Christo ha resucitado!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Cristo ha en verdad resucitado! ¡Aleluya!

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we give thanks for forgiveness that wraps our true selves in sacred belonging and purpose.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

For a word at the dawn of creation, which spoke water and life into being.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

For the great flood that revealed nature's power and God's commitment to life after death.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

For the rock split open in the desert, spilling water for those thirsting for freedom.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

For the One who turned water to wine and met a woman at the well with living water.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

For the gift of holy baptism, which declares there are no more godforsaken places, and nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus. For Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

God of life, we rejoice with the waters that cover creation; our songs of praise echo their dancing tides and streams. Pour out your Holy Spirit on this community and all of creation.

Cleanse our fears. Drown our divisions. Give us grace to drink so that our whole lives are signs of death defeated and thirst quenched thanks to the risen Jesus, the Son of God.

Amen.

Adapted from Meta Herrick Carlson

+ **Processional Hymn** The Day of Resurrection! ELW 361

+ 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

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

Children's Message

First Reading - Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them, and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile, he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Había en Jope una discípula llamada Tabita; que en griego se dice Dorcas. Esta se esmeraba en hacer buenas obras y en ayudar a los pobres. Sucedió que en esos días cayó enferma y murió. Pusieron el cadáver, después de lavarlo, en un cuarto de la planta alta. Y como Lida estaba cerca de Jope, los discípulos, al enterarse de que Pedro se encontraba en Lida, enviaron a dos hombres a rogarle: «¡Por favor, venga usted a Jope enseguida!». Sin demora, Pedro se fue con ellos y cuando llegó lo llevaron al cuarto de arriba. Todas las viudas se presentaron, llorando y mostrándole las túnicas y otros vestidos que Dorcas había hecho cuando aún estaba con ellas. Pedro hizo que todos salieran del cuarto; luego se puso de rodillas y oró. Volviéndose hacia la muerta, dijo: «Tabita, levántate». Ella abrió los ojos y al ver a Pedro se incorporó. Él, tomándola de la mano, la levantó. Luego llamó a los creyentes y a las viudas, a quienes la presentó viva. La noticia se difundió por todo Jope y muchos creyeron en el Señor. Pedro se quedó en Jope un buen tiempo, en casa de un tal Simón que era curtidor de pieles.

Palabra de Dios, palabra de vida.

Demos gracias a Dios.

+ Gospel Acclamation

Have No Fear, Little Flock (Vss. 1 & 4)

ELW 764

+ Gospel Reading - John 10:22-30

The gospel according to John, the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time the Festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me, but you do not believe because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, in regard to what he has given me, is greater than all, and no one can snatch them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Por esos días se celebraba en Jerusalén la fiesta de la Dedicación. Era invierno y Jesús andaba en el Templo por el Pórtico de Salomón. Entonces lo rodearon los judíos y le preguntaron:—¿Hasta cuándo vas a tenernos en suspenso? Si tú eres el Cristo, dínoslo con franqueza. Jesús respondió:—Ya se lo he dicho a ustedes y no lo creen. Las obras que hago en nombre de mi Padre son las que me acreditan, pero ustedes no creen porque no son de mi rebaño. Mis ovejas oyen mi voz; yo las conozco y ellas me siguen. Yo les doy vida eterna y nunca perecerán, ni nadie podrá arrebátarmelas de la mano. Mi Padre, que me las ha dado, es más grande que todos; y de la mano del Padre nadie las puede arrebatar. El Padre y yo somos uno.

El Evangelio del Señor.

Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!

Sermon - Pastor Susan Debner

+ Hymn of the Day

How Small Our Span of Life

ELW 636

+ 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.

And also with you.

La paz de Cristo sea siempre con ustedes.

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

Hark I Hear the Harps Eternal

arr. Alice Parker (1967)

Hark, I hear the harps eternal ringing on the farther shore, As I near those swollen waters with their deep and solemn roar.

Halelujah, Halelujah, Halelujah praise the Lamb, Halelujah, Halelujah, Glory to the great I AM!

And my soul though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day, Passes swiftly o'er those waters to the city far away.

Halelujah, Halelujah, Halelujah praise the Lamb, Halelujah, Halelujah, Glory to the great I AM!

Souls have crossed before me saintly, to that land of perfect rest; and I hear them singing faintly in the mansions of the blest.

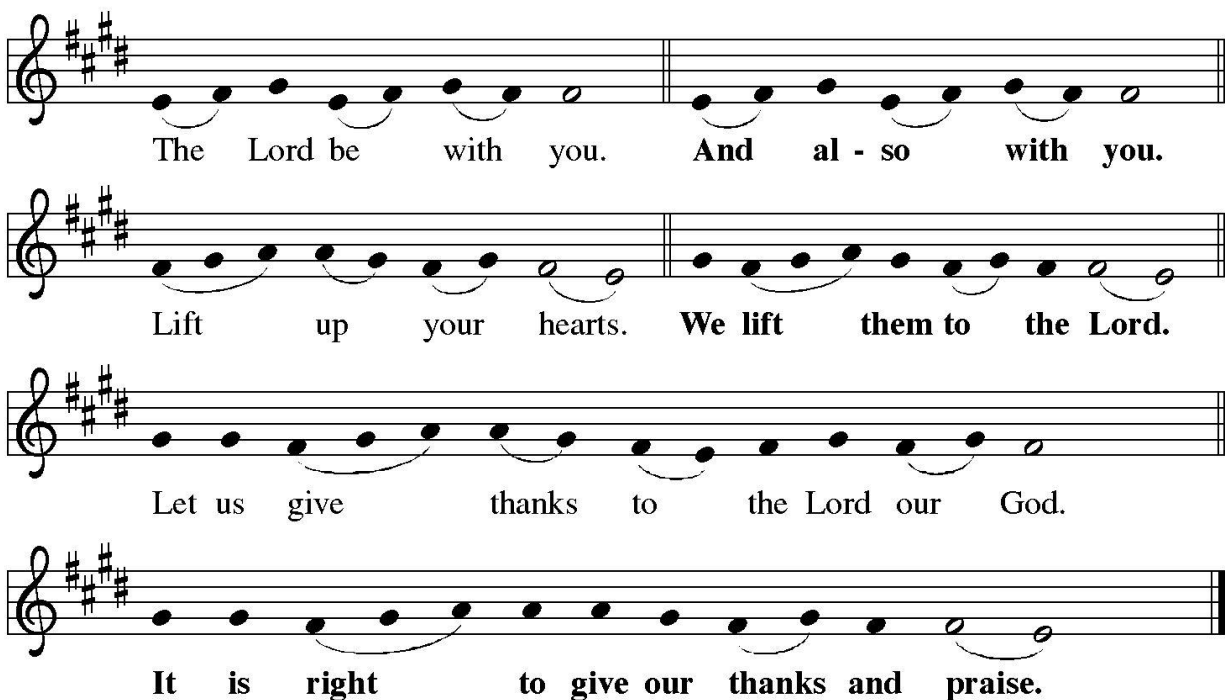
Halelujah, Halelujah, Halelujah praise the Lamb, Halelujah, Halelujah, Glory to the great I AM!

Thank you for your continued generosity! Donations may 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. A QR code is available 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



The musical notation is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The notes are mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some half notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, aligned with the music.

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.

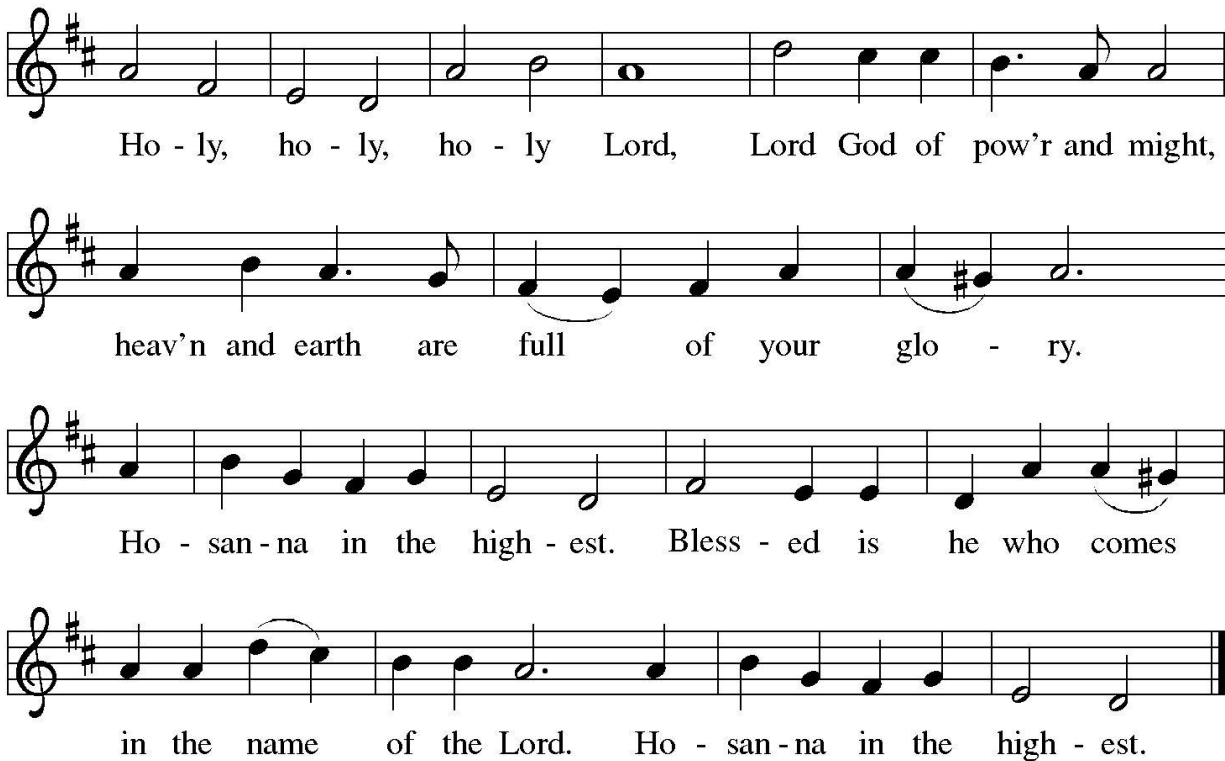
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

+ Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW Setting 4



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

+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 to a communion station: pick up a cup, 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 a blessing, simply indicate this to the server and they will offer a blessing. 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 forward to the station. 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, or light prayer candles.

Music During Communion

Lead Me, Guide Me

ELW 768

LITTLE FLOCK and ST. COLUMBA

arr. Mark Sedio (1996)

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ELW 502

+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: Gracious God, **in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.**

SENDING

Announcements

+Sending Hymn

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

ELW 860

+Blessing

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, ☩ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

+Dismissal

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.
Thanks be to God.

Vayan en paz. A decir lo que Dios ha hecho.
Gracias a Dios.

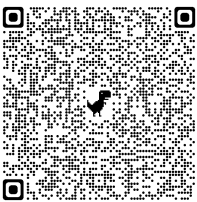

Postlude

Hymn of Promise - "with Easter Proclamation!"

Jeremy Banskson

Pizza Bake - May 18th, 11:45am

You're invited to our first pizza bake of the season: Sunday, May 18th! The Baking Hope Team will fire up the woodfired oven to create delicious pizzas with a variety of toppings. All are welcome!

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Pastor Susan Debner, Pastor Maria Anderson-Lippert (presiding ministers); Beth Kautz (assisting minister); The Hope Choir, Paul Stever (musicians); Mary Reimann-Perez (lector); Jack Dant, Diane Greve, Tim Hopkins, Gretchen Peik (communion servers) Elizabeth Fry, Seth Struthoff (tech facilitators); Kirsten Mebust (Zoom facilitator); Nancy Miller (greeter); Uli Koester, Ron Sorensen (ushers); Carol Flaten (altar guild); Pauline Hendrickson, Evan Peterson (communion cleanup); Pastor Maria Anderson-Lippert, Sara Tuffvesson Doure (healing ministry)