Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

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PRELUDE WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG: Agnus Dei/King of Kings

Verse

Alleluia, alleluia, For the Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia, alleluia, For the Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia.

Chorus

Holy, holy are You, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb, You are holy, holy are You, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb. Worthy is the Lamb. Amen.

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Verse 1

In the darkness we were waiting Without hope, without light, Till from Heaven You came running. There was mercy in Your eyes.

To fulfil the law and prophets, To a virgin came the Word, From a throne of endless glory, To a cradle in the dirt.

Chorus

Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit three in one. God of Glory, Majesty, Praise forever to the King of kings.

Verse 2

To reveal the kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost, To redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross. For even in Your suffering, You saw to the other side, Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus, for our sake You died.

Chorus

Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit three in one. God of Glory, Majesty, Praise forever to the King of kings.

Verse 3

And the morning that You rose, All of heaven held its breath, Till that stone was moved for good, For the Lamb had conquered death.

And the dead rose from their tombs, And the angels stood in awe, For the souls of all who'd come To the Father are restored.

Verse 4

And the Church of Christ was born Then the Spirit lit the flame. Now this Gospel truth of old Shall not kneel shall not faint.

By His blood and in His Name, In His freedom I am free, For the love of Jesus Christ, Who has resurrected me.

Chorus (sing twice)

Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit three in one. God of Glory, Majesty, Praise forever to the King of kings. Praise forever to the King of kings.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P 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. **Q** Amen.

READING: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

L Today's lesson is from Paul's first letter to the Corinthian Christians, the fifteenth chapter.

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²²for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

- L Word of God, word of life.
- Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the twentyeighth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After 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."

SONG OF THE DAY: Living Hope

Verse 1

How great the chasm that lay between us.
How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven,
And spoke Your name into the night.
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Verse 2

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven,
The King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Chorus (sing twice)

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free. Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me. You have broken every chain. There's salvation in Your name, Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Verse 3 (sing twice)

Then came the morning that sealed the promise. Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me.

Jesus Yours is the victory, whoa.

Chorus (sing twice)

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free.
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken every chain.
There's salvation in Your name,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.
Jesus Christ, my living hope
Oh God, You are my living hope.

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SERMON Pastor Fritz

OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

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 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.

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 THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "Merciful God," please respond, "receive our prayer."
When the prayers conclude, please respond, "Amen."

INVITATION TO OFFERING

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OFFERING SONG: What He's Done

Verse 1

See, on the hill of Calvary, My Savior bled for me, My Jesus set me free.

Look at the wounds that give me life. Grace flowing from His side, No greater sacrifice.

Chorus

What He's done, What He's done, All the glory and the honor to the Son. My sins are forgiven, My future is Heaven. I praise God for what He's done.

Verse 2

Sing for the freedom He has won. Even death is dead and done. His life has overcome.

Speak say the Name above all names. Over every broken place He is risen from the grave.

Chorus

What He's done, What He's done, All the glory and the honor to the Son. My sins are forgiven, My future is Heaven. I praise God for what He's done.

Verse 3

Now on a throne of majesty, The Father's will complete. He reigns in victory.

Sing hallelujah to the King. He is worthy to receive All the worship we can bring.

Chorus (sing twice)

What He's done, What He's done, All the glory and the honor to the Son. My sins are forgiven, My future is Heaven. I praise God for what He's done. I praise God for what He's done.

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

 And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

SHARING COMMUNION

As you see the pastors and worshipers commune, please join them by communing at home, saying to each other/yourself with these ancient words of promise: "The body of Christ for you" and "The blood of Christ for you."

COMMUNION SONG: Thank You, Jesus, for the Blood Verse 1

I was a wretch. I remember who I was.
I was lost, I was blind, I was running out of time.
Sin separated, the breach was far too wide,
But from the far side of the chasm,
You had me in Your sight.

Verse 2

So You made a way across the great divide, Left behind Heaven's throne to build it here inside. There at the cross You paid the debt I owed, Broke my chains, freed my soul. For the first time I had hope.

Chorus

Thank You, Jesus, for the blood applied.
Thank You, Jesus, it has washed me white.
Thank You, Jesus, You have saved my life,
Brought me from the darkness into glorious light.

Verse 3

You took my place, laid inside my tomb of sin.
You were buried for three days,
But then You walked right out again.
And now death has no sting and life has no end,
For I have been transformed by the blood of the Lamb.

Chorus

Thank You, Jesus, for the blood applied.
Thank You, Jesus, it has washed me white.
Thank You, Jesus, You have saved my life,
Brought me from the darkness into glorious light.

Bridge (sing twice)

There is nothing stronger
Than the wonder working power of the blood,
The blood that calls us sons and daughters.
We are ransomed by our Father
Through the blood, the blood.

Chorus

Thank You, Jesus, for the blood applied.
Thank You, Jesus, it has washed me white.
Thank You, Jesus, You have saved my life,
Brought me from the darkness into glorious light.

Ending

Glory to His name, Glory to His Name. There to my heart was the blood applied. Glory to His name.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- We give you thanks, generous God,
- for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. Amen.

BENEDICTION

- Amen.

SENDING SONG: God So Loved

Verse 1

Come, all you weary. Come, all you thirsty.
Come to the well that never runs dry.
Drink of the water. Come and thirst no more.

/erse 2

Come, all you sinners, Come find His mercy.
Come to the table, He will satisfy.
Taste of His goodness. Find what you're looking for.

Chorus 1

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us.

Whoever believes in Him will live forever.

Verse 3

Bring all your failures, Bring your addictions. Come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting there with open arms.

Chorus 2

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever. The power of hell forever defeated, Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom. For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Bridge (sing twice)

Praise God, praise God From whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, praise Him For the wonders of His love.

Chorus 3 (sing twice)

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever. The power of hell forever defeated, Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom. For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Verse 4

Bring all your failures, Bring your addictions. Come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting. God so loved the world.

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DISMISSAL

- L Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- P Go in peace. Tell what God has done.
- Thanks be to God.

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Bonnie Gaudet, in honor of our family
Katharine Manes, in memory of John Manes
Jaycine Lester, in memory of John W. Lester, Jr.
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