



**All Saints
Lutheran
Church,
ELCA, RIC**

Sunday, April 14, 2024

The Third Sunday After Easter

“Meeting people where they’re at and connecting them to the full life of Christ.” Show Up | Do Good | Be Kind

Centering Song- All Creation Sings! 1024 - sing refrain, verses 1-3, refrain

Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand

Refrain

Here on Je - sus Christ I will stand, He's the

sol - id rock of my life, He's the sol - id rock of my

ma, He's the sol - id rock of my life.

1 There's no oth - er place I can hide till the
2 It is not the work of my hands that has
3 When my days on this earth are done, and I

storm that rag - es sub - sides. My voice cries to God from the
washed a - way all my sins. I'm re - deemed, and all of my
stand at God's ho - ly throne, my heart will not have on - y

flood, and I'm sored be - cause of his blood, days, Je - sas Christ will be my heart's praise, fear, in Christ's righ - teous - ness I am here.

Refrain

Introduction

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

Statement of Welcome

At All Saints Lutheran Church, ELCA, we value all people regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic level. As a Reconciling In Christ congregation we are committed to being a place where you know that you are loved, valued, and welcome – just as you are. Join us as we Show Up, Do Good, and Be Kind, walking the walk of faith together. Saints and Siblings in Christ – here you are truly welcome!

Opening Anthem: Jesus Christ is risen today ELW 365 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n 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 heav'nly 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 you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Confession and Absolution

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 Jordan 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!

Canticle of Praise,

Canticle of the Turning

1 My soul cries out with a joyful shout
that the God of my heart is great,
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things
that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,
and my weakness you did not spurn,
so from east to west shall my name be blest.
Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,
and the world is about to turn.

2 Though I am small, my God, my all,
you work great things in me,
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past
to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame,
and to those who would for you yearn,
you will show your might, put the strong to flight,
for the world is about to turn. Refrain

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Prayer of the Day

The Risen Lord be with you! **And also with you!**

Holy and righteous God, **you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be**

your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection 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.

Children's Message

Traveling Song All Creation Sings! 1024 - sing refrain

Psalm 4 from the Message:

When I call, give me answers. God, take my side!

Once, in a tight place, you gave me room;

Now I'm in trouble again: grace me! hear me!

2

You rabble—how long do I put up with your scorn?

How long will you lust after lies?

How long will you live crazed by illusion?

3

Look at this: look

Who got picked by God!

He listens the split second I call to him.

4-5

Complain if you must, but don't lash out.

Keep your mouth shut, and let your heart do the talking.

Build your case before God and wait for his verdict. 6-7

Why is everyone hungry for more? **“More, more,”** they say.

“More, more.”

I have God’s more-than-enough,

More joy in one ordinary day

7-8

Than they get in all their shopping sprees.

At day’s end I’m ready for sound sleep,

For you, God, have put my life back together.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-7

God has loved us in order to make us children of God. Though we do not yet know the full details of our future existence, we trust that God will reveal it just as God revealed Jesus to take away our sins.

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Acclamation WOV page 48 **Word of life, Jesus**

Christ,

all glory to you!

Word of life, Jesus Christ,

all praise to you!

Our hearts burn within us

while you open to us the Scriptures.

Word of life, Jesus Christ,

all glory to you!

Word of life, Jesus Christ,

all praise to you!

Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48

In this account of an appearance after his resurrection, Jesus opens the minds of the disciples to understand him as Messiah. Jesus convinces them that he has been raised and sends them on a mission to proclaim the message of repentance and forgiveness.

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself.

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Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he 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.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.”

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ! **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Open Your Mind Pastor Jules Sermon Anthem Open Your Ears, O Faithful People ELW 519

1 Open your ears, O faithful people,
open your ears and hear God's word.
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood,
God has come to you.

God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!

God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!

God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!

God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!

2 They who have ears to hear the message,
they who have ears, now let them hear;
they who would learn the way of wisdom,
let them hear God's word. Refrain

Sharing of the Peace of Christ

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Prayers of Intercession

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

O God our holy one, you feed our deepest hungers. As we share the holy

meal that is the body and blood of Jesus given for us, lead us to share all that we have, and find, in generosity, abundant life. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

O God our creator, you bring forth all life on earth. Calm storms, bring water to parched places, and protect the climate, that this planet would sustain life in all its variety. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

O God our savior, you offer wisdom and guidance beyond all human knowledge. Instruct lawmakers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in your justice and care for all people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

O God our elder, you care for all your children. Encourage those who are in times of transition, facing the loss of old ways and routines and anticipating change. Guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty (especially). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

O God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministry (ministry context may be named). Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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O God our resting place, your Son Jesus promised that we are held in your love forever. We remember our beloved who have died Dietrich Bonhoeffer. As we remember and share their love, comfort those who mourn. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

Offering

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Prayer

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

The Lord be with you. **And also 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 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.

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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:

The Sanctus is Sung! Setting 3 page 144

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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 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.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

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Send your Holy Spirit, our Advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this
bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all
the world.

Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen. **Amen.**

**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,**

Invitation to Communion

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.

Come and eat at God's table.

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Communion Songs: Setting 3, page 146 ELW

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.**

Come and Fill Our Hearts ELW 528

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
Alleluia!

Blessed Assurance ELW 638

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

**This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.**

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. Refrain

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. Refrain

Prayer after Communion

Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.

Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the
abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

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.**

Inspirited Anthem to send you on your way:

	want to see You
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord	I want to see You
Open the eyes of my heart I	
want to see You	Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
I want to see You	Open the eyes of my heart I
	want to see You
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord	I want to see You
Open the eyes of my heart I	
want to see You	To see You high and lifted up
I want to see You	Shinin' in the light of Your glory
	Pour out Your power and love
To see You high and lifted up	As we sing holy, holy, holy
Shinin' in the light of Your glory	
Pour out Your power and love	
As we sing holy, holy, holy	
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord	
Open the eyes of my heart I	
Holy, holy, holy	
Holy, holy, holy	
I want to see you	

Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
I want to see you

Invitation to God's service:

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be
glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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