



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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In the order of service, the words
that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

NARRATIVE LECTIONARY 135

LAST JUDGEMENT / THE COMING OF THE SON OF MAN

Sunday, March 26, 2023 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who journeys with us these forty days,
and sustains us with the gift of grace.

Amen.

Let us acknowledge before God and one another
our need for repentance and God's mercy.

Kneel or stand. Silence is kept for reflection.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God,

**we confess to you our faults and failings.
Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word;
we take for ourselves instead of giving to others;
we spoil rather than steward your creation;
we cause hurt even though you call us to heal;
we choose fear over compassion.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
as we seek to follow in your way of life.**

Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news:

God so loved the world that God gave the only Son,
so that all may receive life.

This promise is for you!

God embraces you with divine mercy,
+ forgives you in Christ's name,
and revives you in the Spirit's power.

Amen.

Stand.

KYRIE • "O LORD, HAVE MERCY UPON US"

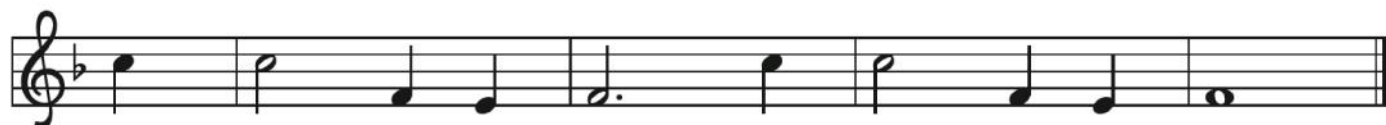
All Creation Sings, Holy Communion, Setting Eleven



O Lord, have . . . mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer - cy.



O Lord, have . . . mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer - cy.



Have mer - cy, O Lord. Have mer - cy, O Lord.

GREETING

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE • "BEAUTIFUL PROMISE"

Sarah Agnew / Pray the Story

1. Hold on now, — good earth, all cre - a - tion; hold on now, — it
2. Wake up now, — you peo - ple get rea - dy! Wake up now, — the
3. Christ will come, — be born here a - mong us, when we tell — the

won't — be long. God has heard — and will not a - ban - don:
pro - phets have seen! Lis - ten to — the Spi - rit she's stir - ring,
sto - ry a - gain. An - gels came — in dreams to whis - per,

ga - ther 'round, for hope is com - ing. Ah! Ah!
call - ing out, "Make haste, and fol - low!" Ah! Ah!
an - gels sang in dazz - ling cho - rus: Ah! Ah!

Beau - ti - ful is the pro - mise. Ah! Ah! Beau - ti - ful is the peace.
Chal - leng - ing is the pro - mise. Ah! Ah! Chal - leng - ing is the peace.
Beau - ti - ful is the pro - mise! Ah! Ah! Beau - ti - ful is the peace.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of justice,
you have shown yourself in this world
in the poor, the hungry, and the needy.

Make us willing participants
of your grace and generosity,
so that when you come again,
we will know your face.

We pray these things
in the name of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Sit.

PSALM 98 • "ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH"

Lyric Psalter

Cantor sings refrain; then all repeat.

Cantor sings verses; congregation sings refrain.

All the ends of the earth have seen the sav - ing pow - er of God.

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All the ends of the earth have seen the sav - ing pow - er of God.

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and holy arm have brought salvation. **Refrain.**

The Lord has made known his salvation,
has show his deliverance ot the nations.
He has remembered his merciful love
and his truth for the house of Israel. **Refrain.**

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song, and sing out your praise. **Refrain.**

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn,
raise a shout before the King, the Lord. **Refrain.**

ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

All Creation Sings, Holy Communion, Setting Eleven



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word,



we will trust your word.

READING

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

Matthew 24:29-44

²⁹“Immediately after the suffering of those days
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light;
the stars will fall from heaven,
and the powers of heaven will be shaken.

³⁰“Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see 'the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven' with power and great glory. ³¹And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

³² “From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ³³So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁴Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³⁵Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁶“But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Eric Bostrom.

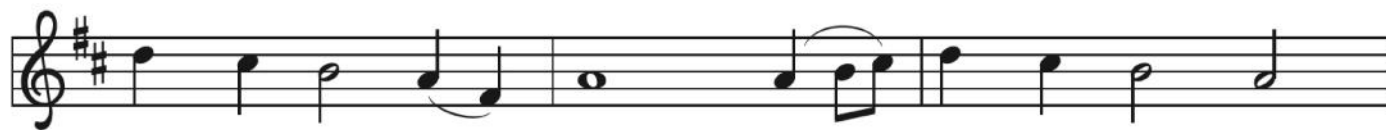
Stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "THE REIGN OF GOD, LIKE FARMER'S FIELD"

All Creation Sings 952



1 The reign of God, like farm - er's field, bears
2 The reign of God is like a pearl on
3 Though hid - den now, the reign of God may,
4 Like mus - tard tree, the reign of God from
5 The reign of God is come in Christ; the



weeds a - long with wheat; the good and bad are
bar - ren land con - cealed. If once you find that
yet un - no - ticed, grow; from deep with - in it
ti - ny seed will spread, till birds of ev - 'ry
reign of God is near. A - blaze a - mong us,



in - ter - twined till har - vest is com - plete.
pre - cious pearl, go out and buy that field.
ris - es up, like yeast in swell - ing dough.
feath - er come to nest, and there be fed.
kin - dling hearts, the reign of God is here!

CREED

Together, let us confess our faith.

**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

Sustained by God's abundant mercy,
let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

OFFERING

Christ has given his life for us. Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

OFFERTORY

"Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life"
MVLC Sanctuary Choir

Stand.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE • "GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS"

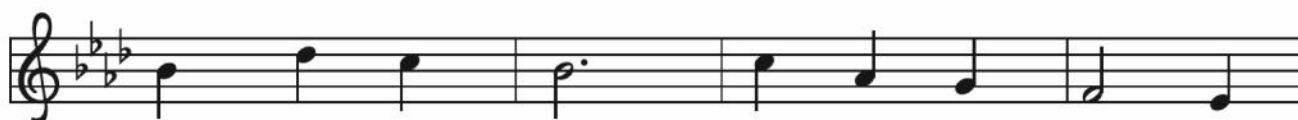
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3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,
4 God is at work in and a - round us:



prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,
Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.
shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of good gifts,
receive these and all our offerings
as we present them in faithful service
for the sake of your gospel.

Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal
as you pour out your very presence
through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
that renewed with the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS • "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"

All Creation Sings 1089



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of might and mer - cy,



your glo - ry fills all heav-en and earth. . . . You are ho - ly, God.



. . . Bless - ed be the Sav-ior, the one who comes in your name.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. You are ho - ly, God.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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.**

COMMUNION

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

Sit.

DISTRIBUTION

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

LAMB OF GOD • "LAMB OF GOD"

All Creation Sings, Holy Communion, Setting Eleven



O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up -



on us, have . . . mer - cy up - on us.



Grant us your peace. A - men.

COMMUNION HYMN • "O LIVING BREAD FROM HEAVEN"

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1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

COMMUNION HYMN • "BROKEN FOR ME"

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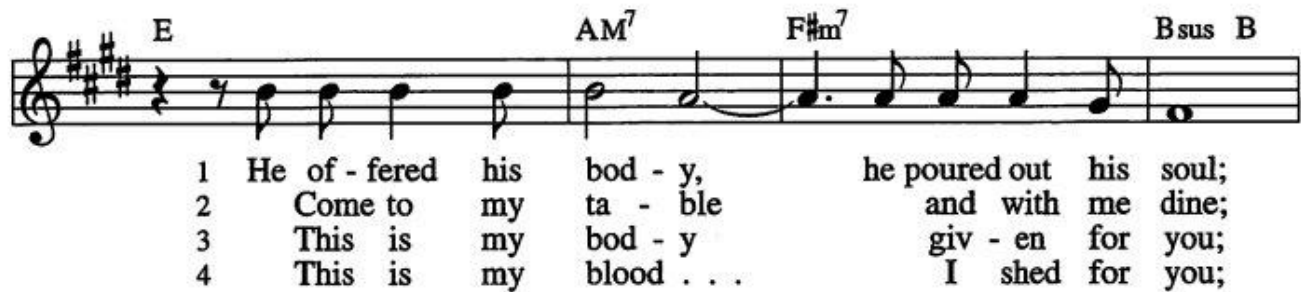
Refrain




Bro - ken for me, bro - ken for you;



the bod - y of Je - sus bro - ken for you.



1 He of - fered his bod - y, he poured out his soul;
2 Come to my ta - ble and with me dine;
3 This is my bod - y giv - en for you;
4 This is my blood . . . I shed for you;




Je - sus was bro - ken that we might be whole.
eat of my bread . . . and drink of my wine.
eat it, re - mem - b'ring I died for you.
for your for - give - ness, mak - ing you new.

Final refrain



Bro - ken for me, bro - ken for you;



the bod - y of Je - sus bro - ken for you.

Stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Embodied God,

at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus.

**With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise,
empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors
and touch the world with your love.**

Amen.

DEACON SENDING

Deacons are called to “make Christ
and his redemptive love known by word and example.” (1 Timothy)

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion
to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Eternal God,

**whose glory is revealed in the crucified and risen Lord, bless
those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our
sisters and brothers who are sick or homebound. In your love
and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this
communion in the body and blood of your Son, that we may all
feast upon your abundant love made known in Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

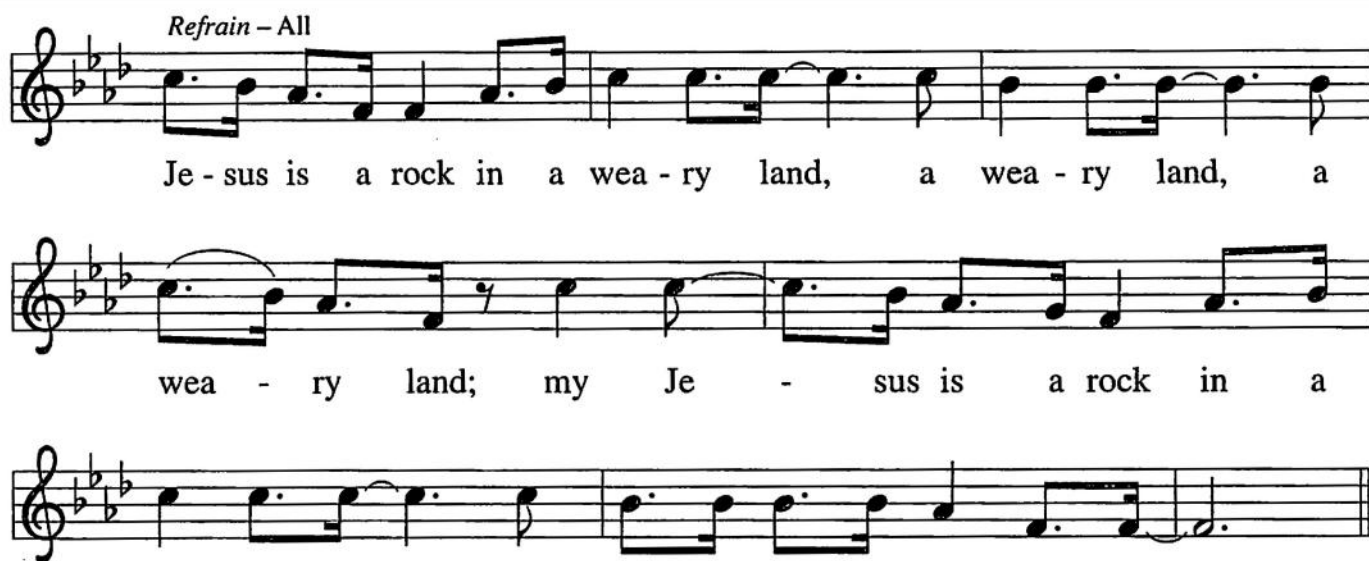
God, the giver of love,
+ Christ, the resurrection and the life,
and the Holy Spirit of rebirth
bless you in this Lenten journey.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • "JESUS IS A ROCK IN A WEARY LAND"


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Refrain - All

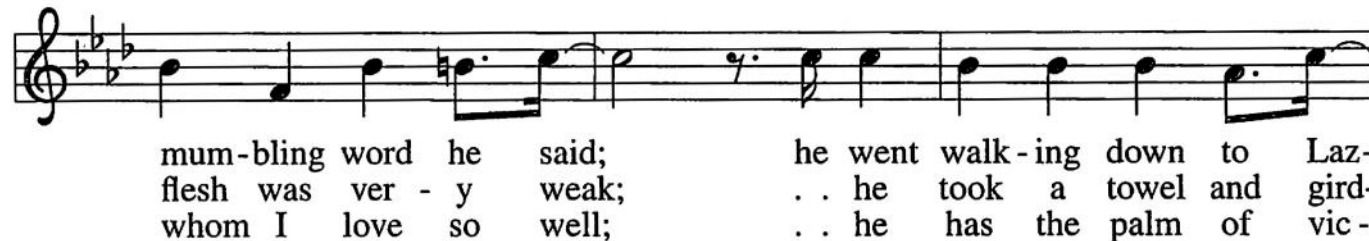


Je - sus is a rock in a wea - ry land, a wea - ry land, a
wea - ry land; my Je - sus is a rock in a
wea - ry land, a shel - ter in the time of storm.

Leader or All




1 No one can do like Je - sus, not a
2 When Je - sus was on earth, the . .
3 Yon - der comes my Sav - ior, him . .



mum - bling word he said; he went walk - ing down to Laz -
flesh was ver - y weak; . . he took a towel and gird -
whom I love so well; . . he has the palm of vic -

Refrain



- a - rus' grave, and he raised him from the dead.
ed him - self and he washed his dis - ci - ples' feet.
- to - ry and the keys of death and hell.

SENDING

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Upcoming stories from the Bible during Sunday worship:

APRIL 2 *Triumphal Entry / Palm Sunday • Matthew 21:1-17*

APRIL 9 *Easter Sunday • Matthew 28:1-10*

APRIL 16 *Great Commission • Matthew 28:16-20*

APRIL 23 *Peter's Vision • Acts 10:1-17, 34-48*

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*Upcoming Sunday morning Adult Education classes
9:30 a.m. in the Life Together Hall:*

APRIL 2 *“Faith and Science” with Pastor Eric Bostrom*

APRIL 9 *Easter Breakfast*

APRIL 16 *ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission*

APRIL 23 *“Faith and White Nationalism”
with PLU Professor Seth Dowland*

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Campus Cleanup

Saturday, April 1, 2023 • 9:00 a.m. on the MVLC campus

9:00 a.m. = all members are invited to help beautify our campus for Holy Week

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Easter Breakfast

Sunday, April 9, 2023 • 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. in the Life Together Hall

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Both services

- J PREACHER: Pastor Eric Bostrom.
- J PRESIDERS: Pastor Briana Merkle.
- J ASSISTING MINISTER: Ken Swanson.
- J DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES: Brenna Sage.
- J VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.
- J ALTAR GUILD: Cindy Jones, Janet Larson, Marie Philipsen, Sandi Swanson.

8:15 a.m.

- J USHERS: Fred Albert (head usher), Joe Anderson, Skip Harrison.
- J GREETER: Betsy Tunstall.
- J LECTOR: Diane Tyler.
- J COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Janice Harrison, Betsy Tunstall.
- J SOUND: Don Neptun.

10:45 a.m.

- J USHERS: Logan Cantrell, Mark Cantrell (head usher), John Dahle, Keith Wright.
- J GREETER: Diane Nelson, Lindy Nelson.
- J LECTOR: Mary Beth Dahl.
- J COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Bob Linden, Bob Yost.
- J SOUND: Beth Ann Johnson.

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4/2 • Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday worship at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

We begin our Holy Week journey toward the Cross and Resurrection.

4/6 • Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday worship at 7:00 p.m.

Absolution, foot washing, Holy Communion, Last Supper of our Lord.

4/7 • Good Friday

Good Friday worship at 7:00 p.m.

Meditations upon the Cross and Christ crucified.

4/8 • Easter Vigil

Easter Vigil worship at 7:00 p.m.

From darkness to light in stories of God's presence in salvation history.

4/9 • Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday worship at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Proclamation of the joy-filled hope of the Resurrection.