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April 24, 2022 🗘 The Second Sunday of Easter

St. John's Lutheran Church is a supporting congregation Calvary Lutheran High School, Jefferson City, 638-0228.

Alleluia! The Lord is Risen! Today the paraments are white, reflecting the Light of the Risen Lord, the Light of the World, the Light no darkness can overcome. Jesus has risen from the grave to shine forth the "glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).

The Lord's Supper is celebrated today. If you have been instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and believe that with the bread and wine Christ gives you His true body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins and belong to the LCMS fellowship, you are invited to join in this blessed Sacrament. (If you are desiring to commune for the first time at St. John's as a Lutheran or you are a non-Lutheran, **please see the pastor prior to the service**).

Last Sunday, April 17, 2022:

Attendance:		88 + 43 / 5 + 6 (livestream connections)
Offerings:		\$1665 + 1065 / \$700 + 351.10 / \$336
Saturday:	22/5, \$	\$130
Friday:	?/5, \$3	380/100
Thursday:	38/3, 5	\$305/25

Calvary Lutheran High School News and Information

CALVARY INSIDER – What happened at Calvary this week?

- Nearly 40 Calvary students and teachers attended the Midwest March for Life at the Capitol on Wednesday morning.
- The Scholar Bowl team lost in the State Quarterfinals against Houston Wednesday.
- Calvary's FFA chapter attended State Convention on Friday.
- Baseball, Track, and Golf athletes stayed busy this week with many competitions.
- Calvary competed at the MSHSAA State One Acts competition Thursday & Friday. Elizabeth Lieb competed in two events at the MSHSAA State Speech tournament.

DINNER AUCTION THIS SATURDAY – The Annual Crimson & Silver Dinner Auction is THIS SATURDAY, April 30, 2022, at the St. Martins Knights of Columbus! It's not too late to gather a group of friends to fill a table of 8! Tickets are \$50 per person, and doors open at 4:00 p.m. Contact your congregational representative or the Calvary school office at 573-638-0228 to <u>purchase tickets by TOMORROW</u>. We can't wait to see you there!

LIONS ATHLETICS – Upcoming home (or near home) sporting events:

Please check our website calendar at www.CalvaryLHS.org/events for full schedules and any cancelled or rescheduled games!

- Tues, April 26 @ 4:30pm Baseball vs New Bloomfield
- Thurs, April 28 @ 4:00pm Golf v. MMA @ Oak Hills Golf Course
- Sat, April 30 @ 12:00pm Baseball vs KC Lutheran

SAVE A LIFE, DONATE BLOOD – Please consider being a life-saving blood donor at Calvary's Spring blood drive this week, Tuesday, April 26th. The drive will take place at Calvary from 1:00-6:00 p.m.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY IS WEDNESDAY – Grandparents, you are invited to Grandparents' Day THIS WEEK Wednesday, April 27th. The celebration begins with chapel at 11:25 a.m. followed by a potluck. Everyone is requested to bring a dish to share, however if you can't bring a dish, please don't let that prevent you from attending. Food, grandparents and grandparent figures should arrive by 11:15 a.m. We are blessed to have many people in our lives that love us! We hope you can make it!

PETTING ZOO - Calvary Lutheran's FFA will be hosting a Petting Zoo/Agriculture Day on May 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The event, taking place at Calvary Lutheran High School, is open to anyone who would like to attend. If you have questions about the event you may contact Hanna Henley at henleyh@calvarylhs.org.

CELEBRATE AND SUPPORT CALVARY - Please join us!

- May 5 FFA Petting Zoo, 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- May 6 Spring Concert and Performing Arts Night, 7:00 p.m.
- May 21 Alumni Basketball Game & Postgame Tailgate Al- more details coming soon!
- May 28 Graduation, 10 a.m.
- June 3 18th Annual Benefit Golf Tournament Register Today!

Happening at St. John's:

Shine! On. Join us on Saturday, April 30 as we cook and distribute hot dogs and brats in the Bank of Lohman parking lot, 11-2. We also need bagged cookies and baked goods to give out with the lunches. See Janice Coffelt for more information.

The Trinity Lutheran School Alumni Association will hold their Annual Meeting Saturday, May 7, 2022, at Trinity Lutheran School. Registration begins at 3pm, business meeting and award presentation at 3:30pm, social time at 4:30pm, and dinner (Catered by Sweet Smoke BBQ) at 5pm. Adults \$13.50 and children \$6.75. All Trinity School alumni and those interested in the school are encouraged to attend.

"Just as He did on the embryonic leg of your journey, the Lord is guiding you still. Just as He did when you cascaded down the fallopian tube, the Lord carries you still. You were created to listen to the words of the Lord. Listen to the One who knows you, who knows your entire journey." *Rev. Gary Blobaum, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Oregon, Illinois – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • *lutheransforlife.org*

EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING

CHRIST...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: Faith & Perseverance in the Early Soviet Union, The Table of Duties from "Luther's Small Catechism," Christ's State of Humiliation & Exaltation, Lutheran Preaching and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

This week:

Sunday, 4/24	9am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF
	10am	Divine Service
	11:30	Voters' Meeting
Mon, 4/25	4pm	Confirmation
Sat, 4/30	11am	Shine! Fundraiser for Ukraine
Sunday, 5/1	9am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF
	10am	Divine Service

Confession and Absolution

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- Come, you faithful, raise the strain Of triumphant gladness!
 God has brought His Israel Into joy from sadness,
 Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters,
 Led them with unmoistened foot Through the Red Sea waters.
- 2 'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ has burst His prison
 And from three days' sleep in death As a sun has risen;
 All the winter of our sins, Long and dark, is flying
 From His light, to whom is giv'n Laud and praise undying.
- Now the queen of seasons, bright With the day of splendor,
 With the royal feast of feasts Comes its joy to render;
 Comes to gladden faithful hearts Which with true affection
 Welcome in unwearied strain Jesus' resurrection!
- For today among His own Christ appeared, bestowing His deep peace, which evermore Passes human knowing.
 Neither could the gates of death Nor the tomb's dark portal
 Nor the watchers nor the seal Hold Him as a mortal.
- Alleluia! Now we cry To our King immortal,
 Who, triumphant, burst the bars Of the tomb's dark portal.
 Come, you faithful, raise the strain Of triumphant gladness!
 God has brought His Israel

Into joy from sadness!

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt. Text: Public domain

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +I Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to

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sal- vation-*
if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.
Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- on his name;*
make known his deeds among the peoples!
Sing to him, sing prais- es to him;*
tell of all his wondrous works!
Glory in his holy name;*
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!
Seek the Lord and his strength;*
seek his presence con- tinually!
Remember the wondrous works that he has done,*
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.
He remembers his covenant for- ever,*
the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- ations.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the be- ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- vation—*

if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.

Kyrie

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- A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

- A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.
- Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.
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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading

Acts 5:12-32

¹²Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." ²¹And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach.

Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council and all the senate of Israel and sent to the prison to have them brought. ²²But when the officers came, they did not find them in the prison, so they returned and reported, ²³"We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside." ²⁴Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to. ²⁵And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." ²⁶Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.

²⁷And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. ³⁰The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him." A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Revelation 1:4–18

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶ and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

⁹I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

С Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

С Glory to You, O Lord. John 20:19-31



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¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

470 O Sons and Daughters of the King

- O sons and daughters of the King, Whom heav'nly hosts in glory sing, Today the grave has lost its sting! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 That Easter morn, at break of day, The faithful women went their way To seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- An angel clad in white they see,
 Who sits and speaks unto the three,
 "Your Lord will go to Galilee."
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 That night the_apostles met in fear; Among them came their master dear And said, "My peace be with you here."

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard That they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet; Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied;
 He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
 "You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 8 How blest are they who have not seen
 And yet whose faith has constant been,
 For they eternal life shall win.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 9 On this most holy day of days Be laud and jubilee and praise: To God your hearts and voices raise. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
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Sermon

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

> And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + verlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For strength to praise our God aright, that our hearts and mouths would be filled with joy at the death and resurrection of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the churches of Christ, that they would burn as lights in a dark world, and that we would serve Him boldly, cherishing the words He has written to us, especially for Pastor Morris, missionaries Martin Schultheis, Micah Wildauer, and Markie Burch, and military chaplains Michael Kearney and Matthew Mortenson, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all disciples in the throes of persecution, that Christ would visit them with His Easter Gospel and give them their portion in the resurrection unto life everlasting, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- For all nations, that they would embrace the Gospel of the resurrected Christ; and that wicked power would be curbed and all rulers brought to the feet of Jesus in worship, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the brothers and sisters in the churches of Ukraine and Russia, that God may keep their hearts from hating one another and that He may show them ways to serve peace, proclaim the Word of God, and celebrate the sacraments, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For those who are working to bring a peaceful end to conflict, including Chandler Amick and all the American soldiers serving in Eastern Europe, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the servants of the Lord afflicted among us, <u>[especially Lois Belshe, Carolyn Walker, Paula Scheperle, Randy Artale, and Jason Walker</u>] that God, the Great Physician, would grant them healing under the shadow of His wings, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- For all who await from the Lord great and abundant mercies, including Keegen Reed and those celebrating birthdays, and Randy & Myra Hall and those celebrating anniversaries, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For confidence in the mercy of Christ and glad hearts as He greets us with peace, that we would be forgiven, renewed and strengthened by His coming to us in His body and blood, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that out of Your indescribable grace and for the sake of Your Son You have given us the Holy Gospel and instituted the Holy Sacraments, that through them we may have comfort and the forgiveness of sin. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may heartily believe Your Word, and through the Holy Sacraments establish our faith day by day, until at last we obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering / Offertory

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
 I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.
 I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.
 I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- G We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface (Full)

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most

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especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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 Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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 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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei

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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.

Sit

Distribution

490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

- Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won! Death no longer can appall me; Jesus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave will Christ recall me. Brighter scenes will then commence; This shall be my confidence.
- 2 Jesus lives! To Him the throne High above all things is given.
 I shall go where He is gone, Live and reign with Him in heaven.
 God is faithful; doubtings, hence! This shall be my confidence.
- Jesus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Jesus living,
 Pure in heart and act abide,
 Praise to Him and glory giving.
 All I need God will dispense;
 This shall be my confidence.

- Jesus lives! I know full well Nothing me from Him shall sever.
 Neither death nor pow'rs of hell Part me now from Christ forever.
 God will be my sure defense; This shall be my confidence.
- Jesus lives! And now is death But the gate of life immortal; This shall calm my trembling breath When I pass its gloomy portal. Faith shall cry, as fails each sense: Jesus is my confidence! Text: Christian Fürchtegott Gellert, 1715–69; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1812–97, alt. Text: Public domain

482 This Joyful Eastertide

- This joyful Eastertide
 Away with sin and sorrow!
 My love, the Crucified,
 Has sprung to life this morrow: Refrain
- ref Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen; But now has Christ arisen!
- Death's flood has lost its chill Since Jesus crossed the river; Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver: Refrain
- 3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a season slumber Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in number: Refrain Text: George R. Woodward, 1848–1934 Text: Public domain

480 He's Risen, He's Risen

- He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord; He opened death's prison, the_incarnate, true Word. Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.
- 2 The foe was triumphant when on Calvary

The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree. In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer, For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.

- 3 But short was their triumph; the Savior arose, And death, hell, and Satan He vanguished, His foes. The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high; He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.
- 4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more; Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door. For all our transgressions His blood does atone; Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.
- \wedge 5 Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice; Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice. Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain: With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign. Text: C. F. W. Walther, 1811–87, abr.; tr. Anna M. Meyer, 1867–1941, alt.

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In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:

A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

> We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C Amen.

Benediction

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + ↓ give you peace.
- C Amen.

564 Christ Sits at God's Right Hand

- Christ sits at God's right hand, His saving work complete, To reign till ev'ry foe will lie Beneath His feet— All that the Father planned, The Son sought to fulfill, When first He said, "Lord, here am I To do Your will."
- 2 Christ was that priest God swore, Uniquely First and Last,
 Who would in righteousness and love Be unsurpassed:
 "A priest forevermore," An oath God would not break,
 "A priest within the order of Melchizedek."
- Christ's altar was the tree, Where on the world's behalf
 He shed a blood, unlike the blood
 Of goat or calf,
 To seal God's guarantee
 Of grace that cannot fail;
 With blood He entered for our good
 Behind the veil.
- What costly sacrifice To cover human sin!
 Who but Christ Jesus had the right To enter in?
 His blood, that sprinkled price, So we might be assured
 That our inheritance in light Has been secured.
- 5 Then let us now draw near, Washed in that precious flood And enter the Most Holy Place By Jesus' blood.

From hearts that are sincere, Let tongues our hope profess, And trust anew God's faithful grace That we confess.

 △ 6 All praise to Christ we bring, Our Lord who intercedes, Our great High Priest enthroned above Who knows our needs; And to the Father sing Our songs of thankful praise, Who with the Spirit reigns in love For endless days.
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