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May 1, 2022 🗘 The Third 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 24, 2022:

Attendance: 60 / 6 (livestream connections) Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF: ? /16 / 3 Offerings: \$2300 / \$57 / \$336 (electronic)

Thanks to Pastor John Hobratschk for delivering God in Word and Sacrament. Pastor Whittle intends to be back later today.

# **Calvary Lutheran High School News and Information**

**CALVARY INSIDER** – What happened at Calvary this week?

- Calvary Artists spent Monday at various locations around Jefferson City for the annual High School Sketch Day event.
- Thank you to all who donated blood at Tuesday's blood drive. You are life-savers!
- Grandparents and special guests joined students on Wednesday for a Grandparents' Day chapel service and meal. Thank you to all who were able to join us!

**THANK YOU!!** – Many, many thanks to all who made the Annual Crimson & Silver Dinner Auction a success yesterday evening! This fundraiser would not be possible without a dedicated planning committee and volunteers, generous donors and attendees! Thank you for your continued support of Calvary Lutheran High School and our mission of Building Christian Leaders!

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

- Mon, May 2 @ 4:00pm Golf @ Oak Hills Hof Course vs Fatima & New Bloomfield
- Sat, May 7 District Track Meet Girls @ Glasgow; Boys @ South Callaway

**PETTING ZOO THIS WEEK-** Calvary Lutheran's FFA will be hosting a Petting Zoo/Agriculture Day this Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The event, taking place on-campus at Calvary, 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.

**SPRING CONCERT ON FRIDAY** – Join Calvary in celebration of the arts this Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Calvary's band, choirs, dancers, and artists will present a beautiful night of entertainment. Come join us!

**FINANCIAL PLANNING FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** – Missouri allows private K-12 tuition to be paid from a 529 fund. This is a great opportunity for families (or friends of a family) to contribute specifically to a student's education through state-tax deductible contributions. Qualified withdrawals for tuition expenses can happen now or well into the future. Call John Christman (573-638-0228) or your financial advisor today to learn more.

CELEBRATE AND SUPPORT CALVARY - Please join us!

May 21 Alumni Basketball Game & Postgame Tailgate – more details coming soon!

May 28 Class of 2022 Graduation Worship Service, 10 a.m.

June 3 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Golf Tournament – Register Today!

# Happening at St. John's:

Thank you to all who helped out with the Shine! Event yesterday! Information on the money raised for Ukrainian refugees will be forthcoming.

"Let's also recruit, instruct, and support more couples and families toward opening their homes to serve children in need. Multitudes—majorities, even—of foster families and adoptive parents confess Christ and consider themselves for-life. More foster parents—not fewer children—seems the most praiseworthy solution to foster care failures. And those who can recognize those failures may just be the most excellent candidates for the vocation!" *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org* 

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# This week:

Sunday, 5/1	9am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF
	10am	Divine Service
Mon, 5/2	4pm	Confirmation
Tues, 5/3	7:30pm	Elders' Meeting
Sunday, 5/8	9am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF
	10am	Divine Service
		Fellowship Sunday

# **Confession and Absolution**

# 464 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

- ref Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 1 The strife is o'er, the battle done; Now is the victor's triumph won; Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia!
- The pow'rs of death have done their worst, But Christ their legions hath dispersed.
   Let shouts of holy joy outburst.
   Alleluia!
- The three sad days have quickly sped, He rises glorious from the dead.
   All glory to our risen Head!
   Alleluia!
- He broke the age-bound chains of hell; The bars from heav'n's high portals fell.
   Let hymns of praise His triumph tell.
   Alleluia!
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free That we may live and sing to Thee. Alleluia! Refrain

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#### 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

- Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **G** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

# **Confession of Sins**

С

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 -↓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

# Service of the Word

# Introit

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All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,*
  and all your saints shall | bless you!
One generation shall commend your works to an- | other,*
  and shall declare your | mighty acts.
On the glorious splendor of your | majesty,*
  and on your wondrous works, I will | meditate.
They shall speak of the might of your | awesome deeds,*
  and I will declare your greatness.
They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant | goodness*
  and shall sing aloud of your | righteousness.
The LORD is good to all,*
  and his mercy is over all that he has made.
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.
All vour works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,*
  and all your saints shall | bless you!
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## Kyrie

C Lord, have mercy;

Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

#### **Gloria in Excelsis**

- 1 To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing— Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.
  - 2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray; O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away. Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry, Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—
  - 3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

**First Reading** 

<sup>1</sup>But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup>and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup>And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" <sup>5</sup>And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup>But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." <sup>7</sup>The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. <sup>8</sup>Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup>And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

<sup>10</sup>Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup>And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, <sup>12</sup>and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." <sup>13</sup>But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. <sup>16</sup>For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." <sup>17</sup>So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup>And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; <sup>19</sup>and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. <sup>20</sup>And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." <sup>21</sup>And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" <sup>22</sup>But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

#### Epistle

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. <sup>2</sup>And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" <sup>3</sup>And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, <sup>4</sup>and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. <sup>5</sup>And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

<sup>6</sup>And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw

a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. <sup>7</sup>And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. <sup>8</sup>And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. <sup>9</sup>And they sang a new song, saying,

 "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,
 for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation,
 <sup>10</sup>and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

<sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup>saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" <sup>13</sup>And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" <sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## Stand

# Alleluia and Verse

# Alleluia

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## Verse

C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

# Alleluia

**G** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## **Holy Gospel**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together.

<sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. <sup>8</sup>The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup>When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." <sup>19</sup>(This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

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

#### Nicene Creed

- С
- I believe in one God,
  - the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

#### Sit

#### 465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

- Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
   In praise of love that still abounds:
   "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
   Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
   Repeat their song of glory here:
   "Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"
   Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- Eternal is the gift He brings, Therefore our heart with rapture sings: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Now still He comes to give us life And by His presence stills all strife. Christ has triumphed! He is living! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; Set heart and will on things above That we conquer through Your triumph; Grant grace sufficient for life's day That by our lives we truly say: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

 $\triangle$  4 Adoring praises now we bring

And with the heav'nly blessed sing:

"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"

Be to the Father and our Lord,

To Spirit blest, most holy God,

All the glory, never ending!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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## Sermon

#### Stand

# Prayer of the Church

In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

- C Lord, have mercy.
- In thanksgiving for the powerful Word and spiritual food that our Lord alone provides, that we may worthily hear and receive it and fulfill His will for our lives, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For strong hearts and voices to meditate upon the splendor of the resurrection of Christ and to speak of the might of His awesome deeds of salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

## **C** Lord, have mercy.

For the Church of God, that many men would be called to the service of the Church and suffer for the Gospel, confounding her enemies with Christ's wisdom, especially for those assigned vicarages and calls at the Seminaries this week, let us pray to the Lord:

## **C** Lord, have mercy.

- For all congregations, that they would be faithful to the Word of God and generous in demonstrating His mercy, especially for Immanuel Lutheran Church in Boonville and Pastor Ketelsen as they face difficult decisions regarding their school, for missionaries Barbara (Bush), Hans (John Trinklein), Stephanie (Schulte), and Mary Anne (Rall), and military chaplains James (Buckman), Glenndon (Genthner), and Trenton (Wollberg), as they faithfully proclaim the Word of the Lord, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all fathers and mothers, that God would strengthen their faith and increase their joy in the Gospel, and that they would declare the mighty acts of God to the generation to come, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

- For those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries, including Bob (Duncan 5/2), Randy (Shelton 5/3), Raelynn (Zimmerman 5/5), Brad & Julie (Plaster 5/7) and Matt & Shelley (Fischer 5/7), let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For our rulers and all the nations of the earth, that God who orders all nations would inspire His Church to shepherd them unto eternal life, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For those who struggle among us, [especially Lois (Belshe), Carolyn (Walker), Paula (Scheperle), Randy (Artale), and Jason (Walker), .] that God would give them faith and grace and be glorified through their trials, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For joyful hearts worthily to receive the body and blood of Christ on this morning of His resurrection, that we, too, would rise on the Last Day, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C Amen.

# Offering

# Service of the Sacrament

#### Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- 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.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-

begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Text: Stephen P. Starke

#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

#### Lord's Prayer

 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

- 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
   O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
  - 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

#### Sit

# Distribution

## 818 In Thee Is Gladness

1 In Thee is gladness Amid all sadness. Jesus, sunshine of my heart. By Thee are given The gifts of heaven. Thou the true Redeemer art. Our souls Thou wakest. Our bonds Thou breakest; Who trusts Thee surely Has built securely: He stands forever: Alleluia! Our hearts are pining To see Thy shining, Dying or living To Thee are cleaving; Naught can us sever: Alleluia!

2 Since He is ours,

We fear no powers, Not of earth nor sin nor death. He sees and blesses In worst distresses; He can change them with a breath. Wherefore the story Tell of His glory With hearts and voices: All heav'n rejoices In Him forever: Alleluia! We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness, Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him Glad hymns forever: Alleluia! Text: Johann Lindemann, 1549–1631; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Text: Public domain

## 475 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

- Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- The Lord of life is ris'n this day;
   Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way;
   Let all the world rejoice and say:
   Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Praise we in songs of victory That love, that life which cannot die, And sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 Your name we bless, O risen Lord, And sing today with one accord The life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.

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#### 637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

- 1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord, And drink the holy blood for you outpoured; Offered was He for greatest and for least, Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
- 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,

To all believers life eternal yields; With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole, Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere, And take the pledges of salvation here.
 O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow As in this feast of love You bless us now.
 Text: Latin, 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.

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#### Stand

#### 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.

#### **Nunc Dimittis**

- C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
  - 2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

#### **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.

# Benedicamus

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

- 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.

# 791 All People That on Earth Do Dwell

- All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
   Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell; Come ye before Him and rejoice.
- Know that the Lord is God indeed; Without our aid He did us make.
   We are His folk, He doth us feed, And for His sheep He doth us take.
- O enter then His gates with praise; Approach with joy His courts unto.
   Praise, laud, and bless His name always, For it is seemly so to do.
- For why? The Lord our God is good: His mercy is forever sure.
   His truth at all times firmly stood And shall from age to age endure.
- △ 5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, The God whom heav'n and earth adore, From us and from the angel host Be praise and glory evermore. Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1593, alt. Text: Public domain

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