

# SECOND DAY OF EASTER

April 27, 2025 9:00 am



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***“Preach. Teach. Reach.”***

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

*Please rise.*

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P In the name of ✠ the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

C **Amen.**

P Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C **make us one as you are one.**

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C **make us one as you are one.**

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C **make us one as you are one.**

P Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C **Amen.**



# GATHERING SONG

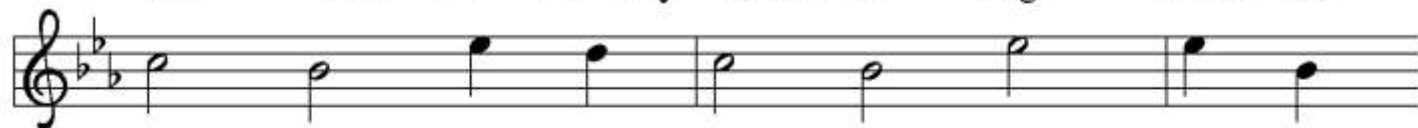
## Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds  
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,  
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;  
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has  
there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has  
set heart and will on things a - bove that we  
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



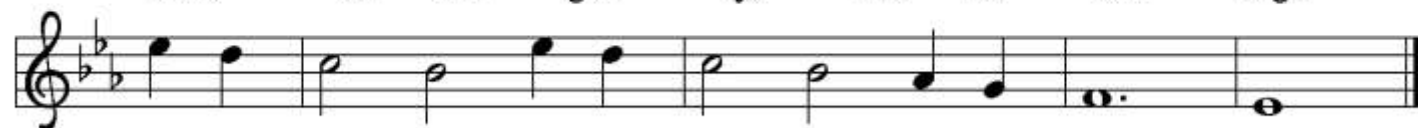
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of  
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he  
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -  
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all  
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly  
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

C **O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body 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.**

*Please be seated.*

## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

### FIRST READING

*Acts 5:27-32*

*Peter has been arrested for proclaiming the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection. His response to the charges of the high priest summarizes the early church's proclamation of forgiveness of sin through repentance.*

R <sup>27</sup> When they had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup> saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." <sup>29</sup> But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup> The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup> God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup> And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

R The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM

*Psalms 118:14-29*

R <sup>14</sup> The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

C <sup>15</sup> **Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"**

R <sup>16</sup> The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

C <sup>17</sup> **I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.**

R <sup>18</sup> The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

C <sup>19</sup> **Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

R <sup>20</sup> "This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."

C <sup>21</sup> **I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.**

- R <sup>22</sup> The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- C <sup>23</sup> **By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.**
- R <sup>24</sup> This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- C <sup>25</sup> **Hosanna! O LORD, save us! We pray to you, LORD, prosper our days!**
- R <sup>26</sup> Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD.
- C <sup>27</sup> **The LORD is God and has given us light. Form a procession with branches up to the corners of the altar.**
- R <sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.
- C <sup>29</sup> **Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.**

## SECOND READING

*Revelation 1:4-8*

*The book of Revelation recounts a mystical vision of the risen Christ experienced by a Christian prophet named John. Here he describes Christ as a timeless redeemer, the beginning, present, and end of all time.*

- R <sup>4</sup> John 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, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup> and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup> Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. <sup>8</sup> "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.
- R The word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise.*

## GOSPEL VERSE



- P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 20th chapter.
- C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The unprecedented events of the day of resurrection continue as the risen Jesus appears to his fearful disciples. A week later, after Thomas worships Jesus, Jesus pronounces that the blessings of the resurrection are also for those who “have not seen and yet believe.”*

P <sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” <sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.” <sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” <sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

SERMON

*Pastor Bryan Lagerstam*

*Please rise.*





## We Walk by Faith

1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with  
2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor  
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and  
4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are  
5 And when our life of faith is done, in

gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as  
fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise  
may our faith a - bound to call on you when  
found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter  
realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you

none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."  
we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
you are near and seek where you are found:  
and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.  
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.  
Music: SHANTI, Marty Haugen, b. 1950  
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*Please be seated.*

## INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL



## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

R Inspire the church with the breath of your Holy Spirit, that we sing the good news of the resurrection. Inspire deacons and pastors, lay leaders and bishops to boldly proclaim your love for all people. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

R Preserve the earth as a safe home for all creatures. Restore habitats contaminated by pollution or overuse, strengthen efforts to shape more sustainable communities, and make us mindful of the impacts of our daily lives on the well-being of creation. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

R Kindle in the nations a spirit of cooperation and mutual care. Raise up creative and courageous leaders committed to shaping just solutions to complex challenges in our local and global communities. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

R Transform our fear into curiosity and love, especially across differences in race, religion, sexuality, gender identity, and economic situation. Unravel stereotypes that lead to discrimination, and destroy oppressive systems that marginalize vulnerable communities. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P Embrace all who carry wounds, that they might know your compassion. Draw near to those with chronic pain or anxiety, and all for whom death is near. Comfort individuals and communities suffering in any way especially Lisa Thompson, Mark Gehrke, June Chadwick, Marie McCoy, Tina Lee, Tim Lothe, Bill Schmidt, Pat McCallum, and all those we name upon our lips or in our hearts. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P We remember the faithful departed from all times and places. Confident that you are the Alpha and Omega, we pray for your wisdom and guidance until our earthly pilgrimage is complete. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**C Amen.**



## SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.** (*Greet one another with God's peace.*)

*Please rise.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**


P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, our duty, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

C **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.**

*Please be seated.*

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION & HYMNS

### That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

Musical notation (treble clef, key of D major) for the first line of the hymn. The melody consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes.

1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright: the  
2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness. with  
3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in  
4 All praise. O ris - en Lord, we give to

Musical notation (treble clef, key of D major) for the second line of the hymn. The melody continues with a mix of eighth and quarter notes.

sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing  
con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will  
this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our  
you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther

Musical notation (treble clef, key of D major) for the third line of the hymn. The melody concludes with a final cadence.

eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!  
ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.  
strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield.  
e - qual praise, and God the Spir - it. now we raise!

Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866; alt.

Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune; adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621



# Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -  
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the  
 sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -  
 food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to  
 tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your  
 his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful  
 lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -  
 you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of  
 foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you  
 vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus  
 ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our  
 sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the  
 en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on  
 Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."  
 hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
 songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt.  
 Music: HYFFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

*Please rise.*

## COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

## COMMUNION PRAYER

P Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

C Amen.

## BLESSING

P The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, ✠ Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C Amen.

## SENDING SONG

### Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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*Please be seated.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DISMISSAL

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU ARE VISITING TODAY: Thank you for joining us at Burke for worship and fellowship! Please sign a card in the pew and/or the visitor book in the narthex.

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

We teach that Jesus is truly present in the bread and the wine. All are invited to the table to share God's grace. Grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it, as well as gluten-free wafers.

*Please fill out a communion card  
and place it in the offering plate if  
you are communing today.*

### OUR STAFF

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Colin Hamrick

## PRAYERS & CARES

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**A Nursery (Youth Room)** for children under six is located down the hallway near the church offices. Activity bags are available in the Narthex for children at worship.

**Our Prayer List:** Contact the church office with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Lisa Thompson

Marie McCoy

Tina Lee

Pat McCallum

Mark Gehrke

June Chadwick

Bill Schmidt

Tim Lothe

## Congregational Opportunities

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**BIBLE STUDY:** Every Wednesday, at 2:00pm. **Same day, new time.**

**QUILTING:** Every Wednesday at 9:00am, no experience needed.

**BAND PRACTICE:** Every Monday at 10:30am.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Bulletin Announcements:** Bulletin deadline is noon on Tuesdays. Send them to burkelutheran@att.net or drop them off at the office.

**Hospitalized?:** Please let the hospital staff know you are a member of Burke Lutheran Church so we are notified.

## CALL TO ACTION

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**May Food Pantry Focus:** May focus is “Household Supplies,” such as paper towel, foil, plastic wrap, paper plates, baggies, plastic cups, toilet paper, etc. Please place your non-perishable goods in the ‘Donations’ basket in the entryway and it will be delivered to the pantry.

**Birthday Bags for River Food Pantry.**

List of contents and bags are located in the entryway.

## Light of Life & Sunday Bulletin Articles

If you have news you’d like to see in the Sunday bulletin announcements and/or Light of Life newsletter:

1. Email your submissions to burkelutheran@att.net (please indicate in the subject line whether it is for the bulletin, LOL or both), or
2. Mail to church, 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, or
3. Turn it into the church office.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Tuesdays LIGHT OF LIFE DEADLINE: 20th of the month**

## EASTER SUNDAY



## THIS WEEK AT BURKE

<b>Wednesday, April 30</b>	Quilting, 9:00am Preach Board, 10:00am BLCW Lunch, 11:30a	Bible Study, 2:00pm JAM, 6:30pm
<b>Sunday, May 4</b>	Worship, 9:00am	

## WORSHIP LEADERS

	<b>April 27 - 9:00am Service</b>	<b>May 4- 9:00am Service</b>
<b>Organist/Pianist</b>	Susie Kittel Moore	Gloria Lundquist
<b>Music Leaders</b>	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Sharon Hughes	Julie Clark
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Jeannette Gehrke	Gloria Lundquist
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Cheryl Beckman	Debbie Brown
<b>Usher Team</b>	Karl & Sheri Patzer	Bob Lenzendorf David Hanson
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Potluck	Donuts
<b>Counters</b>	Sharon Hughes Jean Schnick	Rose Haney Gloria Lundquist

## ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

<b>Sunday 9:00am</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>94</b>
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