

Easter 4, April 21, 2024

Easter Shout of Joy:

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Announcements, Concerns, Joys

***Thanksgiving for Baptism** (used instead of Confession during the season of Easter)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, +one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

P: Look, here is water! **C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of the water of life.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters, and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

Look, here is water! **C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. -- Look, here is water! **C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

All: To you, God of love, be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Look, here is water! Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

***Hymn** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!* (all)

LBW 128, ELW 369

***Kyrie** (response: **Lord, have mercy**)

***Prayer of the Day:** O Lord Christ, **good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

A reading from Acts, the 4th chapter (4:5-12)

pew Bible, p. 1696

(after each reading, "Christ is risen!" **"He is risen indeed! Alleluia!"**)

A reading from the Psalms (Psalm 23)

pew Bible, p. 862

(read by lector)

A reading from 1st John, the 3rd chapter (3:16-24)

pew Bible, p. 1901

***Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!**

***The Holy Gospel according to John, the 10th chapter (10:1-10, 14-18)**

pew Bible, p. 1666

Before the gospel: *Glory to you, O Lord!*

After the gospel: *Praise to you, O Christ!*

Sermon

***Hymn of the Day *Have No Fear, Little Flock* (all)**

LBW 476, ELW 764

***The Creed**

LBW, p. 85

***The Prayers of the Church** (Each petition ends: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

***Communion**

***Prayer after Communion** (from *Sundays Seasons*, 2023, p. 152 Augsburg Fortress) (not on screen)
Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

***Benediction:** Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

May the God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always. **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn *The Lord's My Shepherd* (1, 3, 5)**

LBW 451, ELW 778

***Dismissal**

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia!