

Easter 3, April 14, 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** *Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!* (1, 2, 3)

LBW 147, ELW 380

***Kyrie** (St. Stephen)

***Prayer of the Day:** Holy and righteous God, **you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, so that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection 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.**

Baptism of Darcie Marcis (St. John)

(This is Children's Time; they come forward to witness and share and sing "Welcome to the Family;" then they depart for Sunday School.)

A reading from Acts, the 3rd chapter (3:12-19) pew Bible, p. 1695
(after each reading, "Christ is risen!" "He is risen indeed! Alleluia!")

A reading from the Psalms (Psalm 4) pew Bible, p. 845
(read by lector)

A reading from 1st John, the 3rd chapter (3:1-7) pew Bible, p. 1900

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

***The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 24th chapter (24:36b-48)** pew Bible, p. 1644
Before the gospel: ***Glory to you, O Lord!***
After the gospel: ***Praise to you, O Christ!***

Sermon

***Hymn of the Day *The Strife Is O'er* (1, 2, 3)** LBW 135, ELW 366
Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia! (before verse 1, after verse 3)

***The Creed** LBW, p. 85

***The Prayers of the Church** (from *Sundays & Seasons*, 2023, p. 142 Augsburg Fortress)
Each petition ends: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

***Communion** (St. Stephen)

***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 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing* (all)** LBW 144, ELW 385

***Dismissal**
Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad!
Thanks be to God! Alleluia!