**Order of Service May 4, 2025—Pastor Kristi Ursin**

**EASTER 3**

**Easter Shout of Joy**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

**Announcements, Concerns, Joys**

**Call to Worship** *(Shirley)* **Psalm 30** **(Read responsively)** pew Bible p.867

**\*Thanksgiving for Baptism** (from Sundays & Seasons, copyright 2024, Augsburg Fortress)

*This is used during the season of Easter instead of the Confession*

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

*(Water may be poured before or during the Thanksgiving)*

P: 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 Hymn**  *Praise and Thanksgiving* LBW #409

HP #1753

**\*Kyrie** (response: **Lord, have mercy**) LBW p.78

**\*Prayer of the Day: Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might**.  **By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Children will be dismissed to their classes*

**Sharing the Peace**  *(Spoken only, refrain from shaking hands)*

**Receiving our Offerings of Thanksgiving**

**Offering Prayer**

P: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace, along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, that we may live as your risen body in this world**. C:** **Amen.**

**A reading from Acts, the 9th chapter (9:1-6 [7-20])** *(Cindy)* pew Bible, p.1706

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

**A reading from Revelation the 5th chapter (5:11-14)** *(Cindy)*  pew Bible, p.1919

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the scriptures. Alleluia.** *(Luke 24:32)*

**\*The Holy Gospel according to John, the 21st chapter (21:1-19)** pew Bible, p. 1687

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

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

**Sermon/Homily**

**\*Hymn of the Day** *Lord of All Hopefulness*LBW #469

HP #6014

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

**\*The Prayers of Intercession** (Each petition ends: God of grace, **hear our prayer**.)

**\*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. **Amen.**

\***Sending Hymn** *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service* LBW #423  HP #3897

**\*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!**