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God's work. Our hands.

## **WELCOME**

### **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!  
**Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

... Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

We join with saints and angels...now and forever. **Amen.**

### **GATHERING SONG**

### **IN THE GARDEN**

**UMH #314**

I come to the garden alone while the dew is still on the roses,  
and the voice I hear falling on my ear the Son of God discloses.

#### **Refrain**

And he walks with me, and he talks with me, and he tells me I am his own;  
and the joy we share as we tarry there none other has ever known.

He speaks, and the sound of his voice is so sweet the birds hush their  
singing, and the melody that he gave to me within my heart is ringing. **R**

I'd stay in the garden with him though the night around me be falling,  
but he bids me go; through the voice of woe his voice to me is calling. **R**

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### **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

### **PRAYER FOR MOTHER'S DAY**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

### **GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS**

**(ARR. G.M. MARTIN)**

Holy Trinity Chancel Choir

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**PASTOR ALYSA OFFMAN**

## **1 PETER 3:13-22**

A reading from 1 Peter.

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**ELW P. 124**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

### **GOSPEL READING**

### **JOHN 14:15-21**

The holy gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world

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cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

### **PASTOR ALYSA OFFMAN**

#### **SONG OF THE DAY**

#### **O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED**

**ELW #810**

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;  
remain forever near me, my master and my friend.  
I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ever near.  
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear.  
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;  
but, Jesus, then draw nearer to shield my soul from sin.

Oh, let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still  
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.  
Now speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;  
now speak and make me listen, O Guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you  
that where you are in glory your servant shall be too.  
And Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;  
oh, give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.  
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## **NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

God of new life, you call us through the waters of baptism to be in relationship with you and one another. Guide the church and its leaders to proclaim Christ's righteousness throughout the world. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You create the world and all that is in it. Shelter budding plants and young animals, provide unpolluted habitats and clean water, and raise up stewards for the environment. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You set civil servants in the places where we live. Instill truth and equity among judges and lawyers, gentleness and courage among first responders, and peace among leaders of towns and nations. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

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You provide comfort in times of trouble. Heal those who are sick, shelter any who are unhoused, feed those undernourished, and accompany and console all who are lonely, bereaved, anxious, or ill, especially Kim, Dorisann, Steve, Jo, Ron, Robert, Barb, Rhonda, Jared, Elaine, Roberta, Erik, Neil, Donna, Sandy, Judy, Donna H., Jenny, Steve Y., and Carrie. For what else do the people of God pray today?. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You are love and you desire that we love one another. As a mother hen cares for her chicks, bless all who provide motherly care in our lives, and inspire us to care for one another. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of new life, your steadfast love endures forever. Inspire us by the example of the faithful departed, who clung to your promises of life, forgiveness of sins, and salvation. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.  
**Amen.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## **OFFERING SONG**

## **HOLY GROUND**

**W&P #59**

We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around. Let us praise Jesus now. We are standing in his presence on holy ground.

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord is with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

**ELW P. 130**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**ELW P. 145**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

### **COMMUNION SONG**

### **LAMB OF GOD**

**ELW P. 146**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

### **COMMUNION SONG**

### **GLORIFY THY NAME**

**W&P 42**

Father [Jesus, Spirit] we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify thy name in all the earth; glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.

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### **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

### **TEMPLE TALK**

**JONATHON SPUNAR**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **SENDING SONG**

## **COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING**

**ELW #408**

Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing; help us to praise;  
Father all-glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of  
Days.

Come, thou incarnate Word, merciful, mighty Lord; our prayer attend.  
Come and thy people bless, and give thy word success, and let thy  
righteousness on us descend.

Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour! Thou who  
almighty art, rule now in ev'ry heart, never from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be hence evermore! Thy  
sov'reign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.  
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## **PURPOSE STATEMENT**

We are a welcoming community of believers in Jesus Christ who witness  
our faith...

**...by serving together, praying together, and living generously together.**

## **BLESSING**

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn  
of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ☩ bless you now and  
forever. **Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia! **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## **SERVING TODAY**

**Presiding Minister:** The Rev. Br. Andrew Chavanak, OLF

**Preaching Minister:** The Rev. Alysa Offman

**Director of Music Ministries:** Dr. Daniel Mikat

**Assisting Minister:** Karen Rysztak

**Lector:** Kathryn Sepke

**Sacristan:** Don Rysztak

**Communion Servers:** Dick & Marty Schmidt

**Altar Guild:** Evie Chavanak, Sue Corney, Billie Shoemaker

**Usher Team:** Brad Allan, David Doyle, MB Kocsis, Ron Perian, Dick Schmidt, Don Rysztak

**Counters:** Brad Allan, MB Kocsis, Nancy Nielsen, Peggy Nelson