BENEDICTION

- L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.
- G: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN - Crown Him with Many Crowns



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Shelby Supper played preservice music for this service. Courtney Selstad played flute. Blaine Cox played trumpet. Rachael Eubanks played violin. Mary Kuekes was the organist and pianist. (Our thanks also to any whose arrangements to play were made after this service folder was printed.) The choir was directed by Kathy Schumacher. Vicar Kelly Huet was the presiding minister. Pastor Michael Schultz was the preacher.

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CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

March 23rd, in the year of our Lord 2008

CALL TO WORSHIP - MEN'S CHOIR

SEE, WHAT A MORNING

See, what a morning, gloriously bright, With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem; Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light, As the angels announce, "Christ is risen!" See God's salvation plan, Wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice, Fulfilled in Christ, the Man, For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?" As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb; Hears a voice speaking, calling her name; It's the Master, the Lord raised to life again! The voice that spans the years, Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us, Will sound till He appears, For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days, Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty. Honor and blessing, glory and praise To the King crowned with pow'r and authority! And we are raised with Him, Death is dead, life has won, Christ has conquered; And we shall reign with Him, For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

OPENING HYMN: JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

stand for stanza 4



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

 $\mathbf{L} = \text{Leader} / \mathbf{G} = \text{Group}$

- L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- G: Amen.
- L: Lord, we confess to you our sinful condition and our sinful behavior.
- G: Have mercy on us, Father in heaven. Bless us and keep us.
- L: Lord, we realize that we have earned your temporal and eternal punishment.
- G: Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus. Make your face shine on us and be gracious to us.
- L: Lord, we are not able to make up for our sins, nor can we set ourselves free from the guilt of our sin.
- G: Have mercy on us, Holy Spirit. Turn your face toward us and give us peace.
- L: Jesus was delivered over to death because of our sins. He was raised to life because God declared us righteous. Be of good cheer, your sins are forgiven. Christ is risen!
- G: He is risen, indeed!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through baptism, may walk in newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be dominion and praise now and forever.

G: (spoken) Amen.

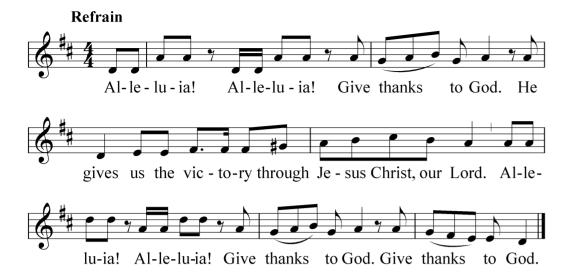
Please be seated

CHOIR — JESUS IS RISEN

FIRST LESSON — JONAH 2:2-9

² He said: "In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me. From the depths of the grave I called for help, and you listened to my cry. ³ You hurled me into the deep, into the very heart of the seas, and the currents swirled about me; all your waves and breakers swept over me. ⁴ I said, 'I have been banished from your sight; yet I will look again toward your holy temple.' ⁵ The engulfing waters threatened me, the deep surrounded me; seaweed was wrapped around my head. ⁶ To the roots of the mountains I sank down; the earth beneath barred me in forever. But you brought my life up from the pit, O LORD my God. ⁷ "When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, LORD, and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple. ⁸ "Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs. ⁹ But I, with a song of thanksgiving, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. Salvation comes from the LORD."

PSALM 118



Psalm Tone



The LORD is my strength <u>and</u> my song;* he has become my sal<u>va</u>tion.

The LORD'S right hand is <u>lift</u>ed high;* the LORD'S right hand has done mighty things!

I will not <u>die</u> but live,* and will proclaim what the <u>LORD</u> has done.

Refrain

I will give you thanks, for you <u>an</u>swered me;* you have become my sal<u>vation</u>.

The stone the builders rejected has become the <u>cap</u>stone;* the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous <u>in</u> our eyes.

This is the day the <u>LORD</u> has made;* let us rejoice and be <u>glad</u> in it.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON — COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

CHOIR With a Voice of Singing

Please stand

GOSPEL — MATTHEW 28:1-10

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

² There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴ The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

⁵ The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

⁸ So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

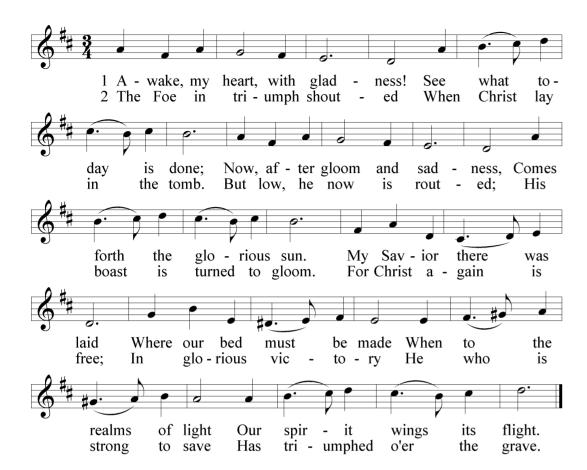
THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Be seated



MESSAGE — REVELATION 19:11-16

¹¹ I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war. ¹² His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. ¹³ He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. ¹⁴ The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. ¹⁵ Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. ¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

The King Lives and Reigns

He is...

Faithful and True

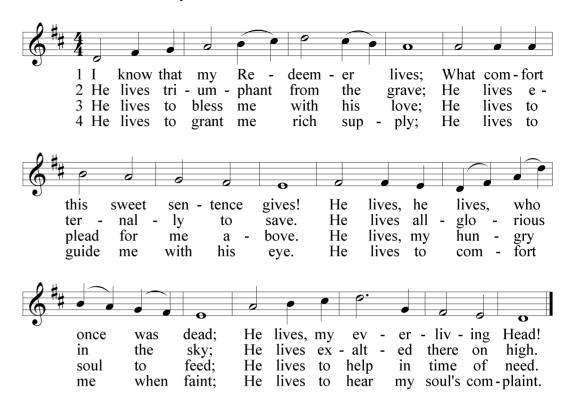
The Word of God

King of kings and Lord of lords

OFFERING

All worshipers are asked to make use of the friendship register which is passed down each row during the gathering of the offering.

HYMN #152:1-4 I Know that My Redeemer Lives



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN #152:5-8 I Know that My Redeemer Lives

