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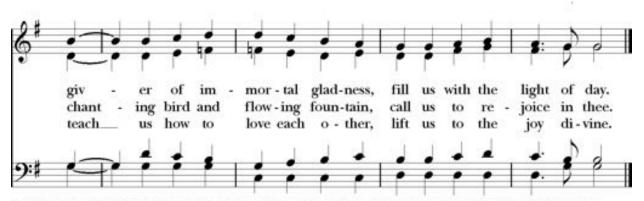
# **WORSHIP BULLETIN**

RITE II SERVICE, 10:00AM 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 8, 2022

#### **PRELUDE**

# RINGING OF THE BELLS



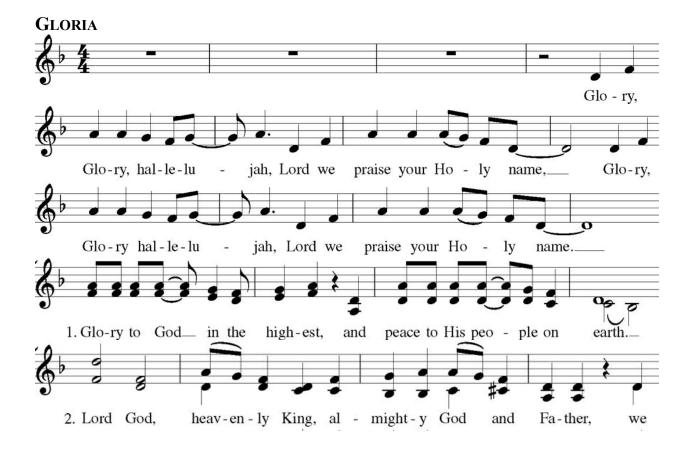


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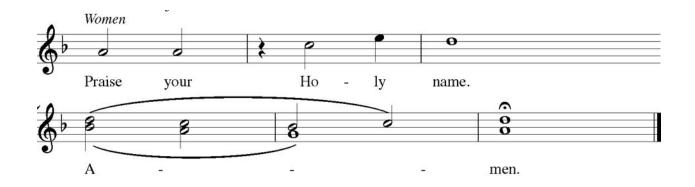
### **EASTER ACCLAMATION**

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!







### THE COLLECT OF DAY

Presider May God be with you.
People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE FIRST READING Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 23**

<sup>1</sup> O God, you are my shepherd; \*

I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup> You make me lie down in green pastures \* and lead me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup> You revive my soul \*

and guide me along right pathways for the sake of your Name.

<sup>4</sup> Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; \*

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

- <sup>5</sup> You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \* you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- <sup>6</sup> Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \* and I will dwell in the house of God for ever.

#### THE SECOND READING

Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!

Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,

and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,

nor any scorching heat;

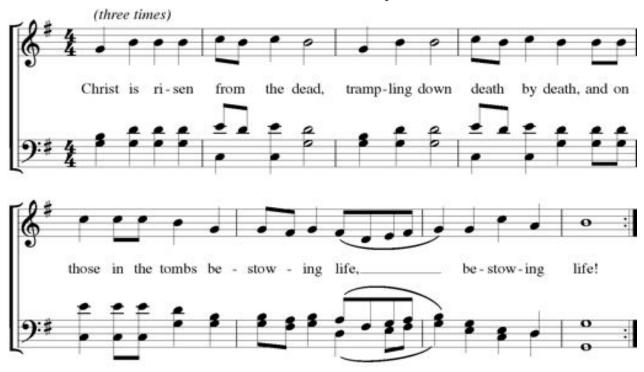
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

# **SEQUENCE HYMN**

# Christ is Risen from the Dead



The Gospel John 10:22-30

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

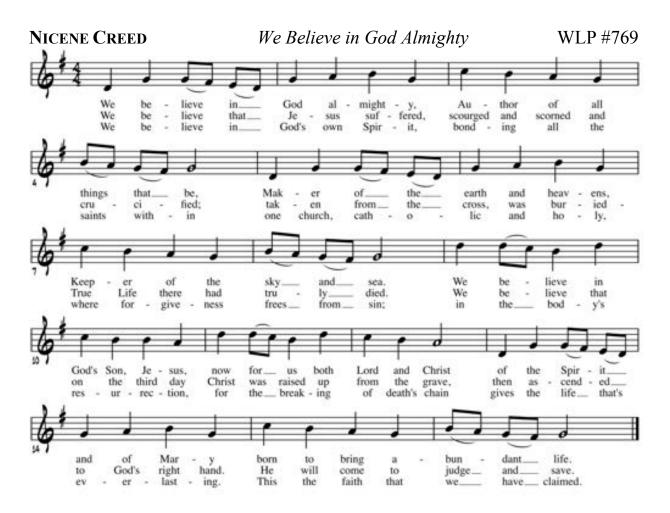
At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch

them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

# HOMILY The Rev. Alex Leach

A time of silence follows the homily.



#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider Let us pray together to the God of life, saying together, "hear our

prayer".

*Intercessor* Jesus, lead us by your resurrection to seek new and abundant

life for all of our neighbors who are in sorrow, sickness, pain, suffering, and any kind of oppression. Help us enact and

embody your profound love for the world.

God of life,

People Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* God, bring an end to war and violence. Teach humanity to

respect the dignity of every human being. Help us mourn the death of innocent people so that we might transform that grief from hatred and towards love. Open our hearts to love our

enemies. God of life,

People Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Holy Dove, be present amongst those who hold authority and

power over the world. Direct them in your pathways of justice, mercy, and reconciliation. Empower the people of all nations to hold those in power accountable to the care of one another and

our planet. God of life.

People Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Teacher, open the eyes of your church to your resurrected

presence in the world. Strengthen our trust in you so that we might go out and proclaim in word and action this great and

joyful hope. God of life,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Good Shephard, hear the concerns, worries, fears, and grief of this

gathering. Hear also our joys, thanksgivings, and desires. Share

your own prayer to God either silently or aloud.

Silent pause for a few moments

Intercessor God of life,

People Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Holy Breath, carry the souls of all those departed into the

loving embrace of God. Bring peace to those in grief. And may we feel your Spirit uniting us with these saints always.

God of life,

People Hear our prayer.

### **COLLECT**

Presider O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in

the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and

Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

### THE PEACE

Presider May the peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

# BIRTHDAYS, CELEBRATIONS, AND MILESTONES

Presider Watch over your child(ren), O Lord, as their days increase;

bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* heart may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of *their* life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

Presider But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for

such sacrifices are pleasing to God. Hebrews 13:15,16



#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

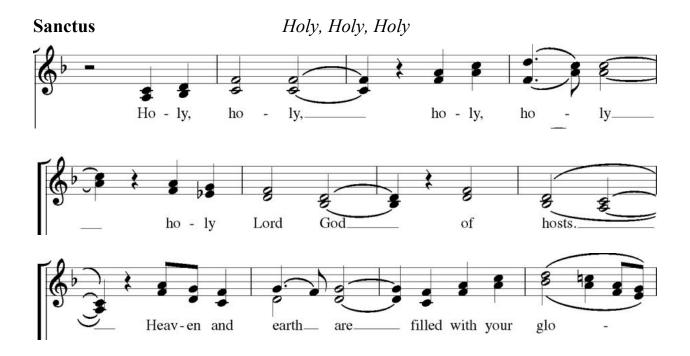
Preside Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

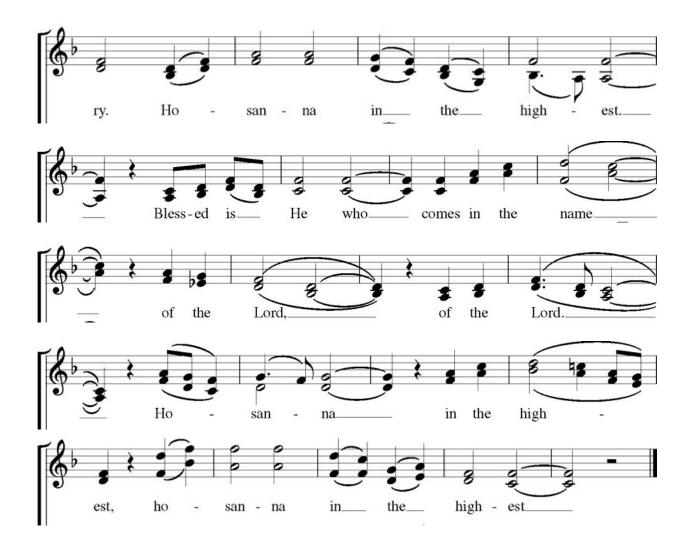
Presider We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life

abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live

in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our

voices to magnify you as we sing:





Presider

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink

this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.



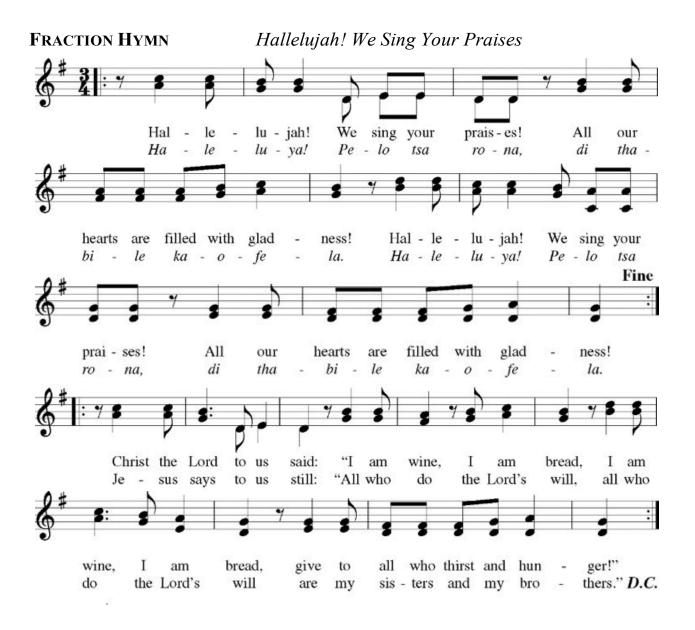
# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Music by: Rimsky-Korsakov Arranged by: D. Mora



# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A brief silence



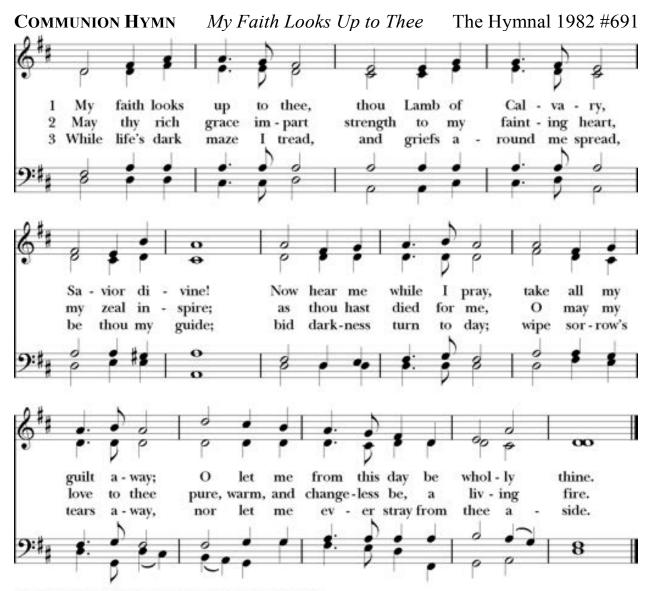
#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

For those at home or who do not wish to receive bread, we offer this prayer of spiritual communion:

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.



Words: Ray Palmer (1808-1887) Music: Olivet, Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

## SENDING OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*Presider* In the name of God and this community, we send you forth bearing

these Holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the

communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share

bread, one cup.

# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Please stand or kneel.

All God of abundance,

you have fed us

with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us

with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one

with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth

in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue for ever

in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### SOLEMN BLESSING OF EASTER TIDE

Presider May the Almighty God, who has redeemed us

and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord,

bestow upon you the riches God's blessing. Amen.

May God, who through the water of baptism

has raised us from sin into the newness of life,

make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever. Amen.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer,

bring you to your eternal inheritance. Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.





Words: Hymns for the Young, ca. 1830, alt. Music: Sicilian Mariners, Sicilian melody, from The European Magazine and London Review, 1792

#### THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth in the name of the risen Lord. Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### **POSTLUDE**

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Bill Hollingshead Memorial Service, May 14th at 2pm, St. Martin's in Davis The service will be held at St. Martin's (640 Hawthorn Lane, Davis) with a reception to follow. There will also be a memorial concert on May 25th (7-9pm) at the Mondavi Performing Arts Center at UC Davis.

Milton Watts Celebration of Life, May 21st at 11am, Watts Airport Please come out to the airport and help us in celebrating the life of Milton Watts.

# Vestry Retreat, May 27 - 29th

The Vestry will be spending time together to discern and follow where God's Spirit is calling our community to go in this time and this place.

Jim Taylor's Memorial Service, June 4th, 11:00am, St. Luke's Please join us in celebrating and remembering Jim.

# Rummage Sale Fundraiser, June 11th

More details coming but save the date and start thinking of nice items you can donate for the sale!

# Visit our website for information on how to be involved www.stlukeswoodland.org

Sign up for weekly e-mail updates for information on opportunities to help and to learn. Contact our Church Administrator for details, at stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com

# **Weekly Meetings**

- Centering Prayer, Sundays, 7pm, Sanctuary, contact Tom Eaton
- Book Study, Mondays, 5:15pm, via Zoom, contact Tom Eaton
- Choir Practice, Wednesdays, 6pm, Sanctuary
- "A Journey with John", Wednesdays, 7:15 pm, via Zoom, contact Margaret Wisehart (margaretwisehart@yahoo.com)

# **Monthly Meetings**

- Resource Navigators
  Next meeting is Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup> 3:30pm-5pm, Guild Hall stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com or 530-662-7152 x3
- Temenos
   2nd & 4th Saturdays, 8am Noon, Welcome anytime!
   brucewatts1@me.com
- Daughters of the King 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays, 10-11:30am, Guild Hall stlukechurchwoodland@gmail.com or 530-662-7152 x3
- Men's Group 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays, 8:30am, mackw0414@gmail.com
- Outreach Breakfast at 4<sup>th</sup> & Hope 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays, 4<sup>th</sup> & Hope, mackw0414@gmail.com
- Micah Forum 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays, 6pm, leannherig@gmail.com
- Vestry Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays, 6:30pm, Guild Hall
- **Becoming the Beloved Community Study Group** 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, 6:15-7:30pm, leannherig@gmail.com



