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EASTER

May 4, 2025

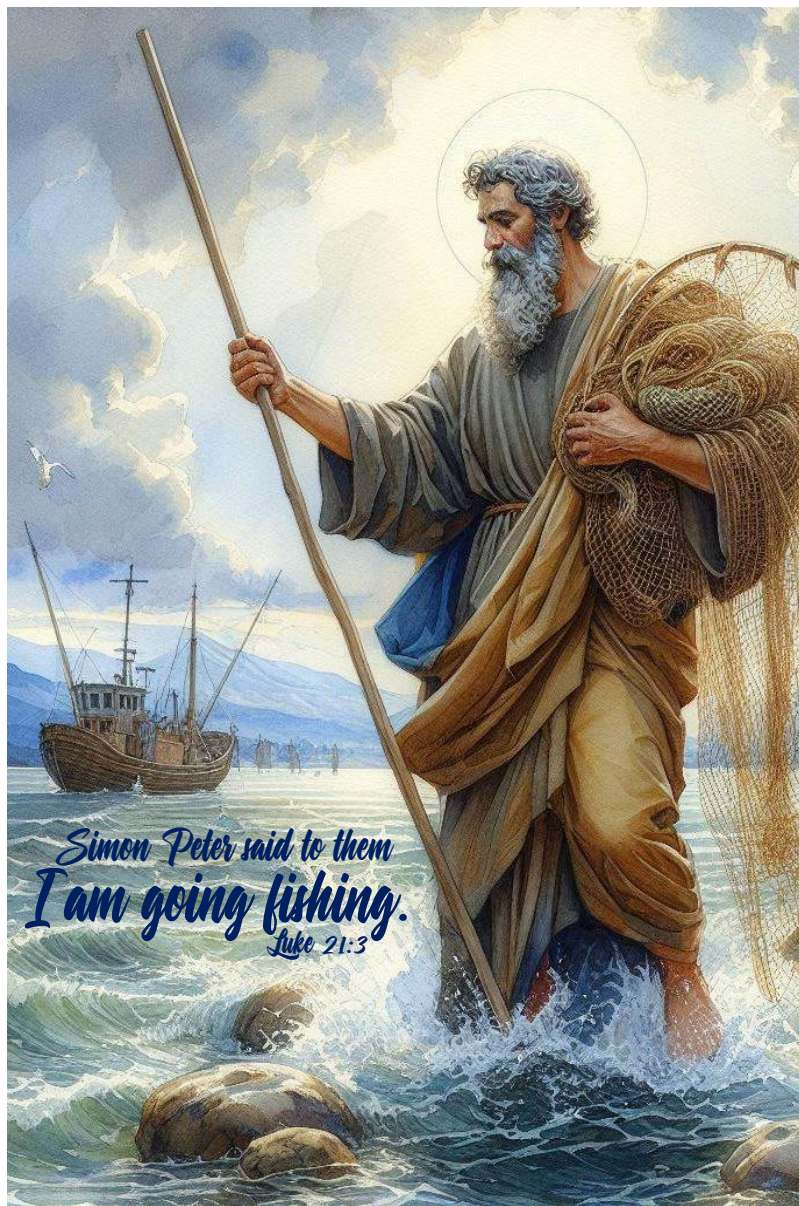


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PRELUDE

"Fanfare"

Francis Jackson

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

LSB 549 v. 1-2, 5-7



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2 Crown Him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;
5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get The worm - wood and the gall,
6 Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe, On this ter - res - trial ball
7 Oh, that with yon - der sa - cred throng We at His feet may fall!



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
Go, spread your tro - phies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all maj - es - ty as - crite And crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song And crown Him Lord of all.



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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: ♪ Amen.

EASTER GREETING AND OPENING SENTENCES *Rev 5:12-13*

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Pastor: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,

People: **to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!**

Pastor: To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb

People: **be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 30:1–5, 8, 10–12*

Pastor: I will extol You, O Lord, for You have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried to You for help, and You have healed me.

People: **O Lord, You have brought up my soul; You restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.**

Pastor: In repentant faith, we come before our Lord in confession. Almighty God,
People: **we confess to You that we are sinful by nature. We have searched for You where You never promise to be and have failed to recognize You as You come to us today as our risen Redeemer. We have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and have been reluctant to be Your witnesses and to do Your will. For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray, forgive us.**

Pastor: Sing praises to the Lord, O you His saints, and give thanks to His holy name. For His anger is but for a moment, and His favor is for a lifetime.

People: **Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

Pastor: To You, O Lord, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy:

People: **Hear, O Lord, and be merciful to me! O Lord, be my helper!**

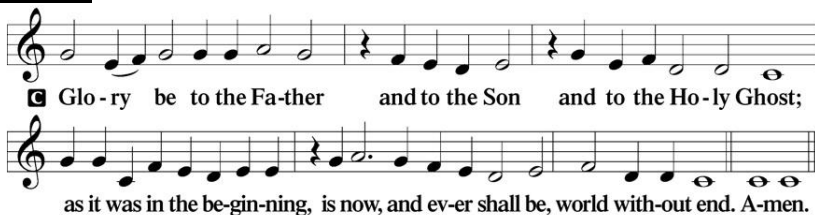
Pastor: Beloved in the Lord, God has heard our confession, and because of the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has answered with Good News and revealed Himself as our Savior—our risen Redeemer. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: ♪ **Amen.**

THE INTROIT *Psalm 145:4–6, 9; antiphon: v. 10*

Pastor/Choir: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you! One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

THE GLORIA PATRI



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

THE KYRIE Mt 9:27, 15:22

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People: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

HYMN OF PRAISE

tune: LSB 700




2 You are wor - thy, ev - er reign - ing As the
ris - en King of kings! "Bless - ing, hon - or,
glo - ry, pow - er . . ." All cre - a - tion ev - er sings!
Glad - ly now we join that cho - rus, Awed by
what our ran - som cost, Prais - ing You, our
great Good Shep - herd, Who would seek and save the lost.

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THE SALUTATION 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: 
 ♪ And with thy spir - it.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: O God, through the sacrifice of Your Son, You revealed Your life-changing mercy and love for us and all mankind. Grant to Your faithful people a daily awareness of how we might serve You in confident joy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: ♪ Amen.

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

FIRST READING

Acts 9:1-22

(The Conversion of Saul)

¹ But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ² and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³ Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. ⁴ And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵ And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶ But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."⁷ The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸ Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹ And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰ Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹ And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹² and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³ But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem.¹⁴ And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." ¹⁵ But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶ For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷ So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; ¹⁹ and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰ And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹ And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" ²² But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Revelation 5:8-14

(A heavenly hymn of praise to the Lamb)

⁸And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

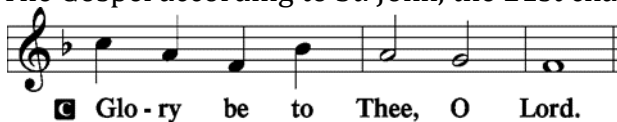
HOLY GOSPEL

John 21:1-14

(Jesus appears to seven disciples.)

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. John, the 21st chapter.

People:



¹After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶ He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself

into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:



Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES CREED

Early tradition suggested that the Apostles Creed was formulated by The Twelve, each contributing a phrase (as seen below), but history—dating back to the fifth century—suggests that the Apostles Creed was a confession of the faith of the Apostles, asked by pastors for the baptisms of their catechumens: Do you believe in God the Father? Do you believe Jesus, conceived by the Holy Spirit... etc.

¹I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

²And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

³who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

⁴suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

⁵He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.

⁶He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

⁷From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

⁸I believe in the Holy Spirit,

⁹the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,

¹⁰the forgiveness of sins,

¹¹the resurrection of the body,

¹²and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN

"With High Delight Let Us Unite"

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1 With high de-light Let us u - nite In songs of great
 2 True God, He first From death has burst Forth in - to life,
 3 Let prais-es ring; Give thanks, and bring To Christ our Lord

ju - bi - la - tion. Ye pure in heart, All bear your part,
 all sub-du - ing. His en - e - my Doth van - quished lie;
 ad - o - ra - tion. His hon - or speed By word and deed

Sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va - tion. To set us
 His death has been death's un - do - ing. "And yours shall
 To ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So shall His

free For - ev - er, He Is ris'n and sends To all earth's
 be Like vic - to - ry O'er death and grave," Saith He, who
 love Give us a - bove, From mis - er - y And death set

ends Good news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.
 gave His life for us, life re - new - ing.
 free, All joy and full con - so - la - tion.

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SERMON

"It Was Love"

Romans 8:35

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OFFERTORY *Ps 51:10-12*

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♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION Num. 6:24-26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you
and be gracious to you. The † Lord lift his countenance upon you and give
you peace.

People:

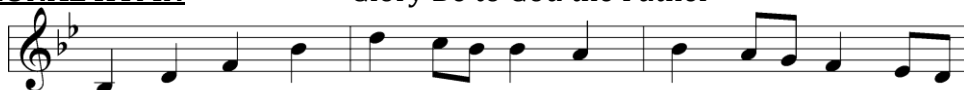


C A-men, a-men, a - men.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Glory Be to God the Father”

LSB 506



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each
3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the
4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,
Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;
an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,
Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,
Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!
glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!
glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

POSTLUDE

“With High Delight Let Us Unite”

Robert Glick