



## The Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025

10:30am

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

God of peace, we enter this holy space  
knowing the gospel's cornerstones of grace and mercy are often rejected in our world.

**Yet we understand that rejection is not the end of the story.**

We know that those who claim to be the builders and the rulers of the world  
do not have the final word.

**The Gospel of Grace is the Lord's doing.**

Despite powers and principalities, despite the clamoring of meanness and cruelty,  
**this is the day that the Lord has made.**

Grace is the ground upon which we walk.

**Let us rejoice and be glad.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

Christ The Lord is Risen Today

No. 245

CONFESSION AND PARDON

*Call to Confession*

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\*You are invited to stand.

Please join in saying/singing aloud the responses **printed in bold**.

Hymn numbers correspond to the pages in the red or purple *Glory to God* hymn book in the pew rack in front of you.

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*Prayer of Confession*

**Holy God, we have found ourselves in fear, locked in rooms of inaction and indecision, unclear where we are called or what we could offer. We have lost ourselves in anxiety so loud we have not heard your voice. We have not recognized you on the move in the world, wounds in your side and life in your lungs. We have believed in the finality of your death and assumed all is left to our own meager efforts. We have refused to see, so we might not have to believe the gospel and live our lives accordingly. God of new life, restore hope throughout our bodies. Help us to breathe again. Strengthen us for the joy that is before us. Grant us eyes to see your beloved people all around us and ears to hear your good news through all the noise. Even as we have looked away, come to see us, call us forth from our locked rooms and bring us out to walk with you in the world you so love. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon*

**\*Response to Pardon** Alleluia Give Thanks to the Risen Lord *Refrain and verse 2* No. 240

*Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.*

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name**

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth:**

**Jesus has died and has risen. (*Refrain*)**

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**GATHERING SONG**

**God Welcomes All**

No. 399

*During the Gathering Song, children are invited to come forward and sit on the front row of chairs, next to the piano.*

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;**

**God's love is strong and it never ends! (*repeat*)**

**PROCLAIM**

**TIME WITH CHILDREN**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Psalm 126

NRSVue

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God.**

**MESSAGE**

Rev. Mary Jane Cornell

**HYMN OF RESPONSE**

**Our God Our Help in Ages Past**

No. 687

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*from A Brief Statement of Faith (Presbyterian Church, USA)*

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the**

children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*During the time of offering, you are invited to make a financial contribution to LPC. You may do so by placing cash or a check (payable to "LPC") in the offering plate, or give by credit card by using the QR code to be directed to our online giving page. You are also encouraged to be in prayer about how you can use your time and talents to serve God and neighbor this week.*



### OFFERTORY AND DOXOLOGY

Now Thank We All Our God *verses 1-2*

No. 643

**Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms hath blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.**

**O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,  
and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.**

*You are invited to stand for the final stanza as the offering is presented.*

**All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,  
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:  
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,  
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.**

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE 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 debts<sup>1</sup> as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

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### \*SENDING HYMN

Thine is the Glory

No. 238

### \*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

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<sup>1</sup> When saying the Lord's Prayer, some prefer to use the words "forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us" or "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Please pray as you feel led.

\*POSTLUDE

Worship may be over, but our service has just begun.

*We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us.  
Lakeview Presbyterian Church brings God's word to life  
in a welcoming atmosphere of worship, prayer, and fellowship,  
while spreading the love of Jesus Christ  
through Christian education and outreach, wherein all are welcome.*

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