



ALLELUIA

Christ is risen!

Sunday, May 12, 2024 at 10:30 AM
Ascension Sunday
Holy Communion

PREACHER: The Reverend Ben Vanderheide
CELEBRANT: The Reverend Michelle Terwilleger
MUSIC: Janet Carioni

Cornerstone

Verse 1: My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' Name *(Repeat verse)*

Chorus: Christ alone cornerstone Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord Lord of all

Verse 2: When darkness seems to hide His face I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

Chorus: Christ alone cornerstone Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord Lord of all

Verse 3: When He shall come with trumpet sound Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultless stand before the throne

Chorus: Christ alone cornerstone Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord Lord of all

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ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us

Christ, have mercy upon us

Lord, have mercy upon us

I Surrender All

Verse 1: All to Jesus I surrender All to Him I freely give
I will ever love and trust Him In His presence daily live

Chorus: I surrender all I surrender all All to Thee my blessed Savior I surrender all

Verse 2: All to Jesus I surrender Humbly at His feet I bow
Worldly pleasures all forsaken Take me Jesus take me now

Chorus: I surrender all I surrender all All to Thee my blessed Savior I surrender all

Verse 3: All to Jesus I surrender Make me Savior wholly Thine
Let me feel the Holy Spirit Truly know that Thou art mine

Chorus: I surrender all I surrender all All to Thee my blessed Savior I surrender all

Verse 4: All to Jesus I surrender Lord I give myself to Thee
Fill me with Thy love and power Let Thy blessing fall on me

Chorus: I surrender all I surrender all

All to Thee my blessed Savior I surrender all

Verse 5: All to Jesus I surrender Now I feel the sacred flame
O the joy of full salvation Glory glory to His name

Chorus: I surrender all I surrender all All to Thee my blessed Savior I surrender all

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This is Amazing Grace

Bridge: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy worthy worthy

Verse 1: Who breaks the power of sin and darkness Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Verse 2: Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus: This is amazing grace This is unfailing love

That You would take my place That You would bear my cross

You laid down Your life That I would be set free Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Verse 3: Who brings our chaos back into order Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Verse 4: Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance

The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus: This is amazing grace This is unfailing love

That You would take my place That You would bear my cross

You laid down Your life That I would be set free Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy worthy worthy

Chorus: This is amazing grace This is unfailing love

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THE COLLECT FOR ASCENSION SUNDAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven: May our hearts and minds also there ascend, and with him continually dwell; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON: Acts 1:1-11 **READ BY:** Lindsey Sikora

¹ In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ² until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴ While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.' ⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' ⁷ He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' ⁹ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹ They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 47 READ BY: Lindsey Sikora

¹ O clap your hands together, all you peoples; O cry aloud unto God with shouts of joy.

² **For the Lord Most High is to be feared; he is the great King over all the earth.**

³ He shall subdue the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.

⁴ **He shall choose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loved.**

⁵ God has gone up with a shout of triumph, the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

⁶ **O sing praises, sing praises unto our God; O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.**

⁷ For God is the King of all the earth; think upon his mighty acts and praise him with a song.

⁸ **God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.**

⁹ The princes of the peoples are gathered with the people of the God of Abraham; for the mighty upon earth have become the servants of the Lord, and he is very highly exalted.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 1:15-23 **READ BY:** Liam Baker

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the

hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints,¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church,²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL: SPEAK O LORD

Verse 1: Speak O Lord as we come to You To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us All Your purposes for Your glory
Verse 2: Teach us Lord full obedience Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:44-53 **READ BY:** The Reverend Ben Vanderheide

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

⁴⁴ Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.' ⁵⁰ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³ and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE GRADUAL: SPEAK O LORD

Verse 3: Speak O Lord and renew our minds Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glory

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THE NICENE CREED

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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, 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.

SERMON: The Reverend Ben Vanderheide

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Reverend Desiree Stedman

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

No Longer Slaves

Verse 1: You unravel me with a melody You surround me with a song
Of deliverance from my enemies Till all my fears are gone

Chorus: I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

Verse 2: From my Mother's womb You have chosen me
Love has called my name I've been born again into Your family

Your blood flows through my veins

Chorus: I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

Bridge: You split the sea so I could walk right through it My fears were drowned in perfect love

You rescued me so I could stand and sing I am a child of God

Chorus: I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

THE OFFERTORY

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power, and the glory and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O LORD,

And of your own have we given you.

THE SURSUM CORDA

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

THE SANCTUS

Holy holy holy Lord
God of power and might
Heaven and earth of Your glory are full
Hosanna Hosanna Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord

Holy holy holy Lord
God of power and might
Heaven and earth of Your glory are full
Hosanna Hosanna Hosanna in the highest
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THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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 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.

THE FRACTION

Alleluia! Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Forever (We Sing Hallelujah)

Bridge

We sing hallelujah we sing hallelujah We sing hallelujah the Lamb has overcome *(Repeat Bridge)*
We sing hallelujah we sing hallelujah We sing hallelujah

Verse 1

The moon and stars they wept The morning sun was dead
The Savior of the world was fallen His body on the cross
His blood poured out for us The weight of every curse upon Him

Verse 2

One final breath He gave As heaven looked away
The Son of God was laid in darkness A battle in the grave
The war on death was waged The power of hell forever broken

Pre-Chorus

The ground began to shake The stone was rolled away
His perfect love could not be overcome Now death where is your sting
Our resurrected King has rendered you defeated

Chorus

Now forever He is glorified Forever He is lifted high
And forever He is risen He is alive and He is alive *(Repeat Chorus)*

Bridge

We sing hallelujah we sing hallelujah We sing hallelujah the Lamb has overcome *(Repeat)*
We sing hallelujah we sing hallelujah We sing hallelujah

Chorus

Now forever He is glorified Forever He is lifted high
And forever He is risen He is alive and He is alive *(Repeat Chorus)*

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Open The Eyes Of My Heart

Bridge

Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Holy holy holy I want to see You

Chorus

Open the eyes of my heart Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see You I want to see You

Verse

To see You high and lifted up Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy holy holy

Bridge

Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Holy holy holy I want to see You

Chorus

Open the eyes of my heart Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see You I want to see You

Verse

To see You high and lifted up Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy holy holy

Bridge

Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Holy holy holy I want to see You

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Hosanna

Verse 1: I see the King of glory Coming on the clouds with fire
The whole earth shakes The whole earth shakes yeah

Verse 2: I see His love and mercy Washing over all our sin
The people sing The people sing

Chorus: Hosanna hosanna Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna hosanna Hosanna in the highest

Verse 3: I see a generation Rising up to take their place
With selfless faith With selfless faith

Verse 4: I see a near revival Stirring as we pray and seek
We're on our knees We're on our knees

Bridge: Heal my heart and make it clean

Open up my eyes to the things unseen

Show me how to love like You have loved me

Break my heart for what breaks Yours

Everything I am for Your Kingdom's cause
As I walk from earth into eternity

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and forever. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God on High, And peace to all on earth

We worship you, we give you thanks, Our heavenly King

We give you praise, Almighty God and Father blessed In glory bright!

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, The Father's only Son, The sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin,

Have mercy, Lord, beside the Father's hand enthroned, Now hear our prayer

You only are the Lord, You only are most high You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ

And now You reign, With Father and with Spirit, One in glorious light!

THE BLESSING

My Redeemer Lives

Verse

I know He rescued my soul His blood has covered my sin
I believe I believe My shame He's taken away
My pain is healed in His name I believe I believe

Pre-Chorus

I'll raise a banner 'Cause my Lord has conquered the grave

Chorus

My Redeemer lives My Redeemer lives My Redeemer lives My Redeemer lives

Bridge

You lift my burdens I'll rise with You I'm dancing on this mountaintop To see Your kingdom come

Chorus

My Redeemer lives My Redeemer lives My Redeemer lives My Redeemer lives

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Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!