

Early Service Order of Worship

Divine Service Setting Three

As We Gather Remembering and conveying truth is vital! Paul recounts his impressive credentials and yet confesses the truth—they are but rubbish. Through Isaiah, the Lord reminds us of the exodus—God’s divine action of rescue. Jesus addresses the Pharisees with divine truths embedded in a parable. God owns the vineyard tended by corrupt religious leaders; the servants are the rejected prophets, and the beloved Son is Jesus. These are divine truths—by God’s design, Jesus’ death is imminent, but resurrection is forever.

Prelude *Prière from Suite Gothique, op. 25* Léon Boëllmann
(1862-1897)

Confession and Absolution

Please stand as you are able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Invocation *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20] LSB 184*

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Opening Sentences *Hebrews 12:2*

P Come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

C the founder and perfecter of our faith,

P who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

C and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Opening Hymn *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* *LSB 425*

Exhortation *Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5 LSB 184*

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Please kneel as you are able

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

LSB 184

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Absolution

[John 20:19–23] LSB 185

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 3:3–6; antiphon: v. 8

P Salvation belongs to the Lord; your blessing be on your people!

C **But you, O Lord, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.**

P I cried aloud to the Lord, and he answered me from his holy hill.

C **I lay down and slept; I woke again, for the Lord sustained me.**

P I will not be afraid of many thousands of people who have set themselves against me all around.

G **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Salvation belongs to the Lord; your blessing be on your people!

Kyrie

Mark 10:47 LSB 186



G Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22 LSB 189

P The Lord be with you.



G And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



G A - men.

Please be seated

Old Testament

Isaiah 43:16–21

A The Old Testament Lesson for the Fifth Sunday in Lent is from Isaiah, chapter forty-three.

¹⁶Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,

a path in the mighty waters,
 17who brings forth chariot and horse,
 army and warrior;
 they lie down, they cannot rise,
 they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
 18"Remember not the former things,
 nor consider the things of old.
 19Behold, I am doing a new thing;
 now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
 I will make a way in the wilderness
 and rivers in the desert.
 20The wild beasts will honor me,
 the jackals and the ostriches,
 for I give water in the wilderness,
 rivers in the desert,
 to give drink to my chosen people,
 21the people whom I formed for myself
 that they might declare my praise."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Psalm 126



L When the LORD restored the fortunes of | Zion,*
 we were like | those who dream.

C Then our mouth was filled with | laughter,*
 and our tongue with | shouts of joy;

L then they said among the nations,
 "The LORD has done great | things for them."*
 The LORD has done great things for us; | we are glad.

C Restore our fortunes, | O LORD,*
 like streams in the | Negeb!

L Those who | sow in tears*
shall reap with | shouts of joy!

C **He who goes out weeping,
bearing the seed for | sowing,*
shall come home with shouts of joy,
bringing his | sheaves with him.**

Epistle

Philippians 3:4b–14

A The Epistle is from Philippians, chapter three.

If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. ⁷But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able

Lenten Verse

Joel 2:13

C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Holy Gospel

Luke 20:9–20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.

C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

⁹[Jesus] began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹²And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.' ¹⁴But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.' ¹⁵And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "Surely not!" ¹⁷But he looked directly at them and said, "What then is this that is written:

'The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone'?

¹⁸Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

¹⁹The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. ²⁰So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated

Children's Message

Please stand as you are able

Hymn of the Day

My Song is Love Unknown

LSB 430

Please be seated

Sermon

Silence for reflection

Please stand as you are able

Nicene Creed

LSB 191

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the

Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4 LSB 175

After each petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy.

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

C **Amen.**

Offering

During this time, please fill out and pass the blue Friendship Register. Please indicate if you plan to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion and whether you are a member or visitor. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join the family of believers here at Christ the Redeemer.

Voluntary

O Love
Craig Amendt, tenor

Elaine Hagenberg
(b. 1979)

O Love, O Love, O Love, that will not let me go,
O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Joy, O Joy, O Joy, that seeks me through the pain,
O Joy, I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.

--George Matheson (1842-1906)

Please stand as you are able

Offertory

Psalm 51:10-12 LSB 192

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Service of the Sacrament

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession that we receive not just bread and wine but the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which we eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Our Lord invites to His table those who have faith in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to love and forgive as He loves and forgives us.

Holy Communion also signifies a unity of faith and belief with those who gather at this altar. Baptized Christians who share the confession of the Lutheran church are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you are unsure what you believe or have questions, we invite you to speak with the Elder on duty or the pastor before the service. Grape juice is available in the center circle of the individual cup trays.

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136 LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus

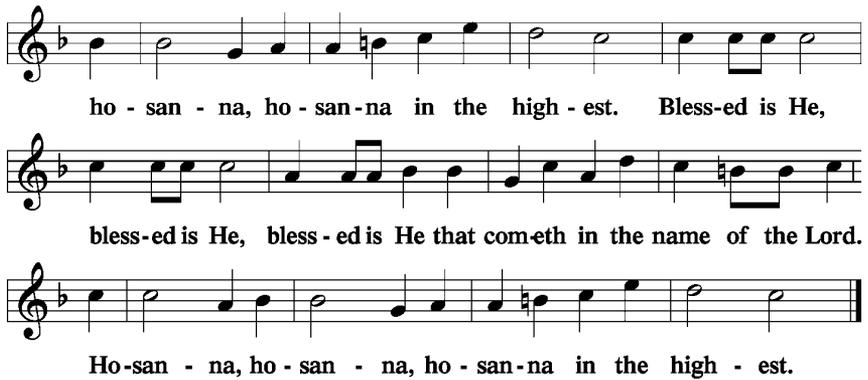
Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 LSB 195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,
 bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 LSB 196

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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 Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

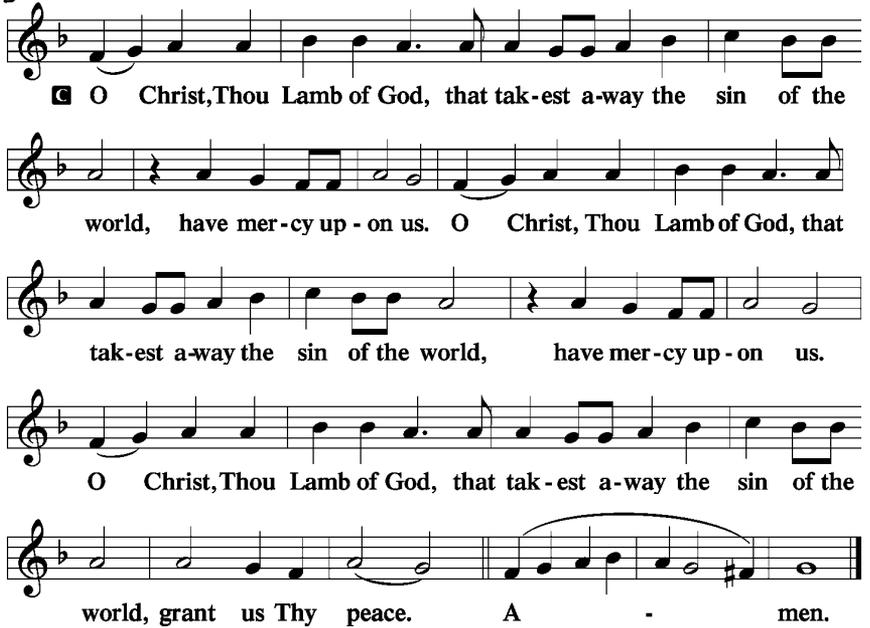
John 20:19 LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

John 1:29 LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Please be seated

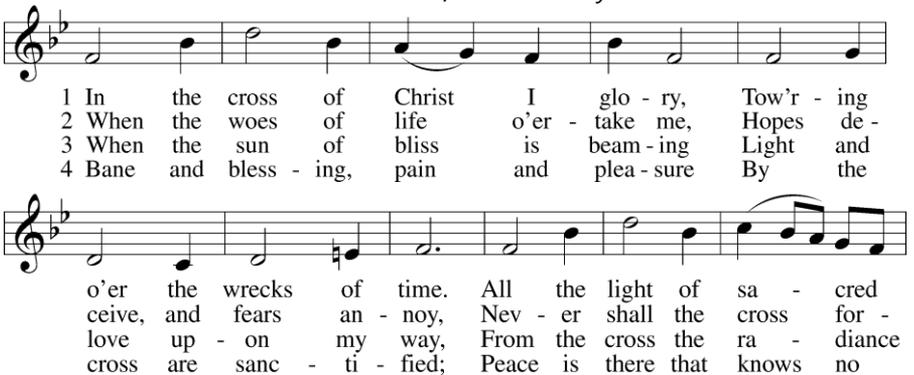
Voluntary

Elevation in F major, op. 39, no. 1 Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

Distribution Hymns

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

LSB 427



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the
 o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred
 ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -
 love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - diance
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no

sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
 sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.
 stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.
 mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

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Glory Be to Jesus

LSB 433

1 Glo - ry be to Je - sus, Who in bit - ter pains
 2 Grace and life e - ter - nal In that blood I find;
 3 Blest through end - less a - ges Be the pre - cious stream
 4 A - bel's blood for ven - geance Plead - ed to the skies;

Poured for me the life - blood From His sa - cred veins!
 Blest be His com - pas - sion, In - fi - nite - ly kind!
 Which from end - less tor - ment Did the world re - deem!
 But the blood of Je - sus For our par - don cries.

- 5** **Oft as earth exulting**
Wafts its praise on high,
Angel hosts rejoicing
Make their glad reply.
- 6** **Lift we, then, our voices,**
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the precious blood!

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Please stand as you are able

P Now may this body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

C **Amen.**

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32 LSB 199

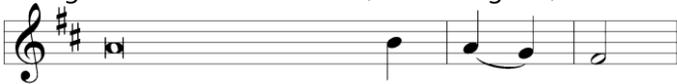


Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

Psalms 107:1 LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Post-Communion Collect

LSB 201

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Salutation and Benedicamus *2 Timothy 4:22; Psalm 103:1* LSB 201-202

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26 LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



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

Closing Hymn

Led by the Spirit to Desert Unknown

1 Led by the Spir - it to des - ert un - known:
 2 Gath - ered by God in the wil - der - ness night:
 3 Called by the Christ in a dry, wea - ry land:
 4 Sought by God's love when we wan - der a - stray:
 5 Drawn by God's word to be - hold a new thing:

steep is the path - way and brit - tle the stone;
 ter - ror may threat - en and dark - ness af - fright;
 bar - ren, we thirst, for the riv - ers are sand;
 was - ting and wan - ton and los - ing our way;
 life from the stone - in the des - ert, a spring;

you, God, our ref - uge, your an - gels our guard:
 you, God, our shel - ter, our prom - ise you are,
 you, God, our source and the foun - tain of life:
 you, God, our wel - come, the wake - ful con - cern,
 you, God, our riv - er, our spring - time, our way,

oh, save us from fall - ing till dan - gers de - part,
 and what seems deep shad - ow may shine out with stars.
 oh, wa - ter us well to bear fruit of de - light.
 with robe and with ban - quet a - wait our re - turn,
 with Christ and the Spir - it bring forth a new day.

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Announcements

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Introduction-Choral from Suite Gothique, op. 25*
Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

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Music Notes for April 6, 2025 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897) was a French composer and organist of the Romantic period (c. 1820-1900). His *Suite Gothique*, which comprises four short movements, is his most well-known composition for solo organ. The first movement, *Introduction-Choral*, which will be heard as the Postlude this morning, is a stately, powerful work that alternates grand, bold statements of a richly harmonized chorale theme with more subdued echoes of that original theme. The third movement, *Prière*, is a soothing, lyrical work that features the beautiful string and flute stops of CTR's Zimmer pipe organ.

The Voluntary is "O Love" by American composer Elaine Hagenberg (b. 1979). The text was written by George Matheson (1842-1906), a Scottish pastor, author, and hymn writer, who penned this hymn of hope and faith in 1882. Hagenberg writes that this piece "Uses hopeful ascending lines representing renewed faith. Even though there are lingering dissonances...the beautiful promise remains: morn shall tearless be."

The Communion Voluntary, *Elevation in F major*, was written by French Romantic organist and composer Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911). This quiet, reflective piece, which highlights the gentlest stops of the organ, was originally written to accompany the elevation of the consecrated Body and Blood of Christ prior to the distribution of Holy Communion.