

He seems like a nice guy.  
Let's ask him if he'd like to join us

Yeah...OK...  
Hey Buddy!  
Wait a sec!!

*April 19, 2026*

*3rd Sunday of Easter*

**Ascension Lutheran Church**

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*Welcome to Worship...*

Welcome to all God's guests, including those who call themselves "members" of this church named Ascension Lutheran Church more than 65 years ago.

A special welcome to guests who are here for the first time or who call yourselves "visitors" among the people of this community. It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community, communion and commitment**. Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

**Children are always welcome in worship services;**

**However, please know the cry room at the back of the sanctuary is available for parents who need to tend to their little ones.**

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*Please silence your cellphone at this time*

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# Welcome to Worship

## Opening Song

Please stand in body or spirit.

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!  
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter  
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!  
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;  
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:  
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.

### Refrain



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

## Call to Worship

*P* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**All** Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

You may be Seated

*Thanksgiving for Baptism*

*P* Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne  
and to the Lamb!

**All Amen.**

*P* Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.

You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:

morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us.

Blessed are you.

**All You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

*WA* Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness  
who accompanies us on our journeys.

We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.

We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you.

**All You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

*P* Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.

Break down barriers that divide us.

Fill us with the breath of peace.

Blessed are you.

**All You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

*WA* Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,  
and for making us a new creation.

We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,  
now and forever.

**All Amen**

*Greeting*

*P* The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love and wisdom of God,  
and the light and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All** And also with you.

*P* In peace, in peace,

*Pastor:* *Congregation:*

Let us pray\_ to the Lord, have mer - cy,  
Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have  
mer - cy.

*P* For the reign of God and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all...(Refrain)

*P* For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word...(Refrain)

*Pastor:*

Help, save and de - fend us, \_\_\_\_\_ O God.

*Congregation:*

A - - - men.

*Refrain*



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free - dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*



2 Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

*Refrain*



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo - ple of



God; to make all things new.

*Refrain*

P The Lord be with you

**All And also with you.**

*Prayer for This Day*

WA Let us pray:

God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples  
in the breaking of bread.

**All Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him  
in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Today's reading is the conclusion of Peter's sermon preached following the giving of the Holy Spirit to the apostles on the day of Pentecost. The center of his preaching is the bold declaration that God has made the crucified Jesus both Lord and Christ.*

*A Reading from Acts, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter*

<sup>14a</sup> Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]:

<sup>36</sup> "Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

<sup>37</sup> Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" <sup>38</sup> Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." <sup>40</sup> And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." <sup>41</sup> So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

*Acts 2:14a, 36-41*

WA Word of God, Word of Life!

**All Thanks be to God!**

*Gospel Acclamation*

Please stand in body or spirit.

**Congregation**



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord to whom shall we  
go? \_\_\_ You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life: Al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_

*Gospel Reading*

*The colorful story of Jesus' appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus answers the question of how Jesus is to be recognized among us. Here, he is revealed through the scriptures and in the breaking of bread.*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**All** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" <sup>19</sup> He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders

handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.<sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.<sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning,<sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive.<sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.”<sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!<sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?”<sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on.<sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them.<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.<sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight.<sup>32</sup> They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”<sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together.<sup>34</sup> They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!”<sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

*Luke 24:13-35*

*P* The Gospel of our Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

*You may be Seated*

# Children's Sermon & Noisy Offering

Each week our congregation is **led by children** to collect pocket change and small bills. Through this offering, we are reminded that together, the smallest of offerings can change lives and make "hope & love" tangible. The children have chosen Family Promise of Ogden to receive this monetary blessing for this season.

Sermon

Pr. Gordon Young

Hymn of the Day

Please stand in body or spirit.

## Here Is Bread Here Is Wine

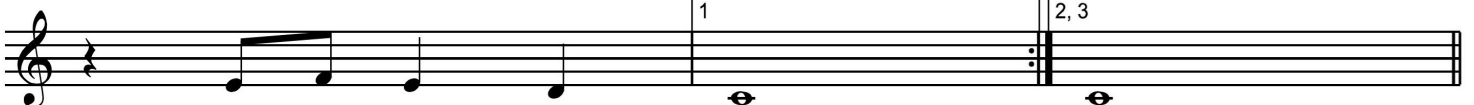
Words and Music by  
Graham Kendrick



1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us,  
2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us,  
3 Here we are, joined in One, Christ is with us,



He is with us. Break the bread, drink the wine,  
He is with us. Know His grace, find His peace,  
He is with us. We'll pro - claim, 'til He comes,



Christ is with us here.  
feast on Je - sus here.  
Je - sus cru - ci - fied.



In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is life for ev - er.



In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here.

*Nicene Creed*

*P* Let us join together with the saints across the ages confessing our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only 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 of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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 and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

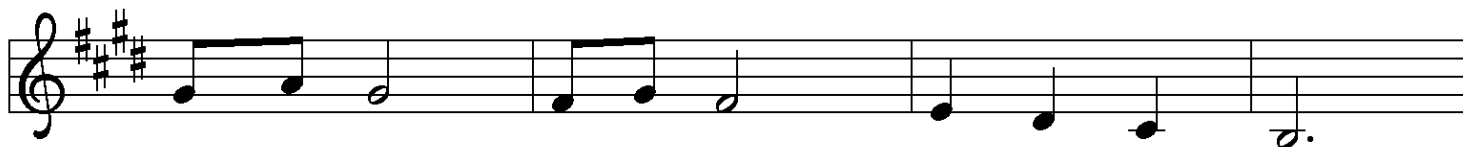
**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**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.**

*Prayers of the People*

WA Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:



peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.



God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

*(each prayer petition ends with)*

*L:* Merciful God,

**All:** receive our prayer.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ*

*P* Jesus Christ become peace with you.

**All** And also with you.

*Offertory*

Please stand in body or spirit.



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

*Offertory Prayer*

*P* Risen One,  
receive the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.  
You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day  
when we will hunger and thirst no more.

**All Nourish us to follow you,  
using what we have gathered to feed the hungry  
and tend the weary, all for your love's sake. Amen.**

*Holy Communion*

*P* The Lord be with you

**All And also with you.**

*P* Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

*P* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*P* It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer  
thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ, who by his death  
on the cross and glorious resurrection broke the bonds of sin and death  
and gave life to all creation.

And so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Congregation*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might;— Heav-en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the



One who comes in your name.— Ho - san - na in the



high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

*P* On the night of his betrayal our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks;  
broke it and gave it to his disciples saying:

Take and eat; this is my body given for you...

Do this for the remembrance of me.

After supper, he took the cup,  
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## *The Lord's Prayer*

*P* Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

**All** 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 Invitation*

*P* Jesus Christ, risen from the dead,  
offers everyone a place of welcome at His table of grace.  
Come to the feast.

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine while the cups in the center contain white grape juice.

*Gluten Free wafers available –ask the communion attendant*

## *Communion Songs*

### Stay with Us

1 Stay with us, till night has come: our praise to  
2 Walk with us, our spir - its sigh: hear when our  
3 Walk with us, the road will bend: make all our  
4 Talk with us, till we be - hold a joy - ful  
5 Stay with us, till day is done: no tears nor

you this day be sung. Bless our bread, o - pen our  
 wear - y spir - its cry, feel a - gain our loss, our  
 weep - ing, wail - ing end. Wipe our tears, for - give our  
 life you will un - fold: heal our eyes to see the  
 dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart, your grace im -

eyes: Je - sus, be our great sur - prise.  
 pain: Je - sus, take us to your side.  
 fears: Je - sus, lift the heav - y cross.  
 prize: Je - sus, take us to the light.  
 part: Je - sus, bring e - ter - nal life.

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926  
 Music: Walter L. Pelz, b. 1926  
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## Let Us Break Bread Together

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;  
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;  
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

*Refrain*

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing  
 sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

Text: African American spiritual  
 Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

## He Is Lord

He is Lord, he is Lord, he is ris-en from the dead and he is Lord;  
 ev-'ry knee shall bow, ev-'ry tongue con-fess that Je - sus Christ is Lord.

Text: Philippians 2:10-11, adapt.  
 Music: HE IS LORD, traditional

### *Post Communion Blessing and Prayer*

*P* The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**All Amen**

*Congregation:*



1. Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:  
2. From of old you loved and sought us:



Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the  
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Truth and jus - tice



weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for - ev - er!  
you have taught us: Thanks be to you for - ev - er!



Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.



3. Praise to you O God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



Thanks be to you for ev - er. Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

*Please be seated for  
Stewardship of Life & Ministry Announcements*

*Benediction and Sending Song*

Please stand in body or spirit.

**(Cantors sing each line, the congregation repeats.)**

May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord make His face to shine on you.  
And be gracious to you.

May the Lord lift His countenance on you.  
May the Lord lift His countenance on you.  
May He keep you in perfect peace.

*Dismissal*

WA Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**All Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

WA With the joy of new life in Christ Jesus,

“Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,  
as God in Christ has forgiven you.” *Ephesians 4:23*

Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

**All Thanks be to God.**

"THEY RECOGNIZED HIM IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD."  
YEAH, IT'S A MYSTERIOUS SENTENCE.



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IT'S NOT CLEAR TO US HOW THAT ACTUALLY WORKED.



OH, I KNOW HOW IT WORKS! THE PASTOR SAYS "THIS IS MY BODY" AND THERE HE IS! I RECOGNIZE JESUS EVERY TIME!



LUKE 24:13-35

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Readings for next Sunday,  
April 26<sup>th</sup>

<b>First Reading:</b>	Acts 2:42-47
<b>Psalm:</b>	Psalm 23
<b>Second Reading:</b>	1 Peter 2:19-25
<b>Gospel:</b>	John 10:1-10

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