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Prelude: "This Joyful Eastertide" ... Jan Bender

*Opening Hymn: "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" [LSB 467 v. 1-4]

<p>1)Awake, my heart, with gladness, See what today is done; Now, after gloom and sadness, Comes forth the glorious sun. My Savior there was laid Where our bed must be made When to the realms of light Our spirit wings its flight.</p>	<p>2)The foe in triumph shouted When Christ lay in the tomb; But lo, he now is routed, His boast is turned to gloom. For Christ again is free; In glorious victory He who is strong to save Has triumphed o'er the grave.</p>
<p>3)This is a sight that gladdens What peace it doth impart! Now nothing ever saddens The joy within my heart. No gloom shall ever shake, No foe shall ever take The hope which God's own Son In love for me has won.</p>	<p>4)Now hell, its prince, the devil, Of all their pow'r are shorn; Now I am safe from evil, And sin I laugh to scorn. Grim death with all its might Cannot my soul affright; It is a pow'r-less form, How-e'er it rave and storm.</p>

*Confession & Absolution [LSB 151]

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

C. Amen

P. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P. Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C. Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P. Almighty God, in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

*Introit:

Ps 30:1-5; antiphon: Ps 16:11b

P. In your presence there is fullness of joy;

C. at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

P. I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up

C. and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

P. O Lord my God, I cried to you for help,

C. and you have healed me.

P. O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;

C. you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

P. Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,

C. and give thanks to his holy name.

P. For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

C. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

All

**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.**

*Kyrie: [LSB 152]

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

This Is the Feast [LSB 155]

Refrain

C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Welcome & Prayer:

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Let us pray

ALL

O God,
through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world.
Grant to Your faithful people,
rescued from the peril of everlasting death,
perpetual gladness and eternal joys;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with the You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen

First Reading: Acts 3:11-21

While he clung to Peter and John, all the people, utterly astounded, ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's. And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all. "And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.

Epistle Lesson: 1 John 3:1-7

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

Alleluia: [LSB 156]

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

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a common time signature (C) and contains the melody for the first line of the Alleluia. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

*Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:36-49

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them. 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 and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to

understand the Scriptures, and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. 49 And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

Nicene Creed

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

Hymn of the Day: “The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done” [LSB 464]

<p><i>Refrain</i> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!</p>	<p>1)The strife is o’er, the battle done; Now is the victor’s triumph won; Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia!</p>
<p>2)The pow’rs of death have done their worst, But Christ their legions hath dispersed. Let shouts of holy joy out-burst. Alleluia!</p>	<p>3)The three sad days have quickly sped, He rises glorious from the dead. All glory to our risen head! Alleluia!</p>
<p>4)He broke the age-bound chains of hell; The bars from heav’n’s high portals fell. Let hymns of praise His triumph tell. Alleluia!</p>	<p>5)Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death’s dread sting Thy servants free That we may live and sing to Thee. Alleluia!</p>
<p><i>Refrain is repeated after st. 5</i></p>	

Sermon

*Offertory: : “He Is Arisen! Glorious Word” [LSB 488]

He is arisen! Glorious Word!
Now reconciled is God, my Lord;
The gates of heav’n are open.
My Jesus did triumphant die,
And Satan’s arrows broken lie,
Destroyed hell’s fiercest weapon.
O hear what cheer!
Christ victorious, Rising glorious,
Life is giving.
He was dead but now is living!

Prayer of the Church

*Service of The Sacrament [LSB 160]

Preface
Sanctus [LSB 161]
Lord’s Prayer
Words of Institution
Agnus Dei [LSB 163]
Distribution

*Post Communion: “*Nunc Dimittis*” [LSB 165]

*Post Communion Collect

*Benediction [LSB 166]

P. The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C. Amen

Closing Hymn: “This Joyful Eastertide” [LSB 482]

1) This joyful Eastertide Away with sin and sorrow! My love, the Crucified, Has sprung to life this morrow: <i>Refrain</i>	2) Death’s flood has lost its chill Since Jesus crossed the river; Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver: <i>Refrain</i>
3) My flesh in hope shall rest And for a season slumber Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in number: <i>Refrain</i>	<i>Refrain</i> Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ arisen, arisen arisen; But now has Christ arisen!

Postlude: “Thine Is the Glory” ... Handel/Smith