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WELCOME TO **GOD'S HOUSE** Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! May the message of Christ's resurrection be your source of eternal joy.

Thank you for joining us for worship. If you have any questions about our service or practice, please feel free to ask one of the ushers or pastor.

- Tune into KFIZ FM 100.7 Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
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A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP For the joy your advent gave me, for your gospel's great reward, for your Baptism which has saved me, for your Supper and your Word, for your death, the bitter scorn, for your resurrection morn: Lord, I thank you and extol you, and in heaven I shall behold you. Amen

SERVICE THEME

He Lives to Restore My Hope

ORDER OF WORSHIP THURSDAY
ORDER OF WORSHIP SUNDAY

Evening Prayer | 215-224

Morning Prayer | 207-214

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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Refrain





Tone



I love the LORD, for he / heard my voice; he heard my cry for / mercy.

Because he turned his / ear to me,

I will call on him as long / as I live.

The LORD is gracious and / righteous;

when I was brought low, he / saved me. Refrain

What shall I return / to the LORD

for all his good- / ness to me?

I will lift up the cup of sal- / vation

and call on the name / of the LORD.

Precious in the sight / of the LORD is the death of his faithful / servants.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son

and to the Holy / Spirit,

as it was in the be- / ginning,

is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

Congregation is asked to join in for the refrains.

GRADES 1-2 IN 8:00 SERVICE

God loves me dearly, grants me salvation, God loves me dearly, loves even me.

Refrain: Therefore I'll say again: God loves me dearly, God loves me dearly, loves even me.

I was in slav'ry, sin, death, and darkness; God's love was working to make me free. Refrain

He sent forth Jesus, my dear Redeemer, he sent forth Jesus and set me free. Refrain

Jesus, my Savior, himself did offer; Jesus, my Savior, paid all I owed. Refrain

Now I will praise you, O Love eternal; now I will praise you all my life long. Refrain

Acts 2:14a, 32-41 FIRST LESSON

The message of Christ crucified and Christ risen gives the certain hope of forgiveness to sinners.

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them: 32"This Jesus is the one God has raised up. We are all witnesses of that. ³³So, after he was exalted to the right hand of God and after he received the promised Holy Spirit from the Father, he poured out what you are now seeing and hearing. ³⁴For David did not ascend into heaven, and yet he says: The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies a footstool under your feet.' ³⁶Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

³⁷Now when the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Gentlemen, brothers, what should we do?" ³⁸Peter answered them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far away, as many as the Lord our God will call." 40He testified solemnly with many other words and was appealing to them, saying, "Escape from this crooked generation." ⁴¹Those who accepted his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand people were added.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON 1 Peter 1:17-21

Our hope is to one day join our Savior in the glory of heaven. Until that day, we live in this world as strangers who are focused on going to our true home.

If you call on the Father who judges impartially, according to the work of each person, conduct yourselves during the time of your pilgrimage in reverence, ¹⁸because you know that you were redeemed from your empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, not with things that pass away, such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was chosen before the foundation of the world but revealed in these last times for your sake. ²¹Through him you are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Luke 24:13-35

For two disciples Jesus explained that all the Scriptures showed that the Christ had to die and rise. Jesus restored their hope.

Now, on that same day, two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴They were talking with each other about all of these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing this, Jesus himself approached and began to walk along with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷He said to them, "What are you talking about as you walk along?" Saddened, they stopped.

¹⁸One of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹"What things?" he asked them.

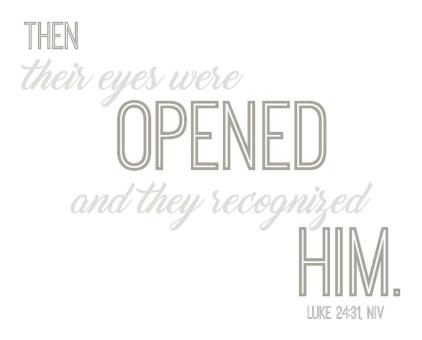
They replied, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet, mighty in deed and word before God and all the people. ²⁰The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be condemned to death. And they crucified him. ²¹But we were hoping that he was going to redeem Israel. Not only that, but besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²²Also some women of our group amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning. ²³When they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb. They found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." ²⁵He said to them, "How foolish you are and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Did not the

Christ have to suffer these things and to enter his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

²⁸As they approached the village where they were going, he acted as if he were going to travel farther. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, since it is almost evening, and the day is almost over."

So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he reclined at the table with them, he took the bread, blessed it, broke it, and began giving it to them. ³¹Suddenly their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. Then he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was speaking to us along the road and while he was explaining the Scriptures to us?" ³³They got up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem. They found the Eleven and those who were with them assembled together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord really has been raised! He has appeared to Simon." ³⁵They themselves described what had happened along the road, and how they recognized him when he broke the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to you, O Christ!



Pastor Boehringer

SERMON RESPONSE

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GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING: ADULT BELLS IN THURSDAY SERVICE

"Tell the Story" by Karissa Dennis

PRAYERS & BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

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The Day of Resurrection | **450**



ORGANIST

Pam Zuberbier

Pianists

Katie Raddatz Ellyanna Raddatz & Maria Hanson

GREETERS

8:00 ~ Jane Fell 10:30 ~ Judine Schicker

