

**EXILES: LIVING IN HOPE**  
**May 3, 2020**

**WELCOME** ..... Pastor Michael P. Dorn

**OPENING HYMN** ..... "He's Risen, He's Risen" ..... LSB 480

He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;  
He opened death's prison, the incarnate, true Word.  
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song  
And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.

The foe was triumphant when on Calvary  
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.  
In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,  
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.

But short was their triumph; the Savior arose,  
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes.  
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;  
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.

O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;  
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.  
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;  
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.

Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;  
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.  
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:  
With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.

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**INVOCATION**

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

**CONFESSION**

- 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.**

**ABSOLUTION**

**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  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**HYMN OF PRAISE** . . . . . “O Savior, Precious Savior” . . . . . LSB 527

O Savior, precious Savior, Whom yet unseen we love;  
O name of might and favor, All other names above,  
We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;  
We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our holy Lord and King.

O bringer of salvation, Who wondrously hast wrought  
Thyself the revelation Of love beyond our thought,  
We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;  
We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our gracious Lord and King.

In Thee all fullness dwelleth, All grace and pow’r divine;  
The glory that excelleth, O Son of God, is Thine.  
We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;  
We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our glorious Lord and King.

O grant the consummation Of this our song above  
In endless adoration And everlasting love;  
Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where perfect praises ring,  
And evermore confess Thee, Our Savior and our King!

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**NEW TESTAMENT READING** . . . . . Acts 2:42-47

**R** The New Testament Reading is from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chapter of Acts.

**R** They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved. (ESV)

**R** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**PSALMODY** . . . . . Psalm 23

**R** The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**C** He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.

**R** He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name’s sake.

**C** Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

- R** You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- C** Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (ESV)
- C** 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.

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** ..... LSB 156

- C** Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

**HOLY GOSPEL** ..... John 10:1-10

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10<sup>th</sup> Chapter.
- C** Glory to You, O Lord.

**P** [Jesus said:] “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what He was saying to them.

So Jesus again said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.” (ESV)

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**CONFESSION OF FAITH** ..... Apostles’ Creed

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

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE** ..... Michael Winckler

**MESSAGE** ..... Pastor Michael P. Dorn

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; Much we need Your tender care.  
In Your pleasant pastures feed us, For our use Your fold prepare.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.

We are Yours; in love befriend us, Be the guardian of our way;  
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.

You have promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be;  
You have mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow’r to free.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You.

Early let us seek Your favor, Early let us do Your will;  
Blessèd Lord and only Savior, With Your love our spirits fill.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.

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**MUSICAL OFFERING.** “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” arr. Mack Wilberg . . . . . Men’s Quartet

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**PRAYERS**

**LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.

**BENEDICTION**

**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** Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN.** . . . . . “Almighty Father, Bless the Word” . . . . . LSB 923

Almighty Father, bless the Word  
Which through Your grace we now have heard.  
Oh, may the precious seed take root,  
Spring up, and bear abundant fruit!

We praise You for the means of grace  
As homeward now our steps we trace.  
Grant, Lord, that we who worshiped here  
May all at last in heav’n appear.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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**POSTLUDE.** . . . . . “Christ Hath Triumphed, Alleluia!” . . . . . Carla Barrows, Organ

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