



REJOICE FELLOWSHIP

A Ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



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Luke 24:36b-48

Third Sunday of Easter

Pastor Maddie Tallman

C: indicates spoken responses by the congregation
P: indicates the Presiding Minister
A: indicates the Assisting Minister

Welcome to worship at Rejoice Fellowship! We are excited to be worshipping both outside in our parking lot and also online through Facebook Live. If you are joining us in the parking lot, we ask that you observe the safety protocols we've set in place. If you have any questions, please ask a greeter. And we thank you for understanding as we live into our call to love and serve each other, worshipping God in new and creative ways.

We are celebrating Holy Communion this morning! As best as we can remember, we are bringing our own communion bread and juice for the time being. If you are in the parking lot and do not have anything, please alert a greeter. If you are worshipping with us online, we invite you to similarly gather a piece of bread and wine or juice before worship begins. After the Invitation to Communion, all can consume the elements and receive the blessed sacrament together, even if apart. We believe that this is the Lord's Table—even if it's in your home—and so everyone is invited to participate.

✠ Gathering ✠

PRELUDE

WELCOME

A: Christ is Risen!

C: He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

A: The stone is rolled away.

C: Alleluia, Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our life and our salvation.

C: Amen.

P: In the waters of baptism, we are joined to each other and clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

A: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life. We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere. Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give.

P: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

ALLELUIA! JESUS IS RISEN



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

Refrain



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



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

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Music: David N. Johnson, 1922-1987
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GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

✠ Word ✠

PSALM 4

1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;
you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2 **"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;
how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?"**

3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful;
the Lord will hear me when I call.

4 **Tremble, then, and do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

5 Offer the appointed sacrifices,
and put your trust in the Lord.

6 **Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?"
Let the light of your face shine upon us, O Lord.**

7 You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when grain and wine abound.

8 **In peace, I will lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O Lord, make me rest secure.**

A: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

C: Alleluia. Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the scriptures. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 24:36B-48

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 24th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then Jesus 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, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."

P: The Gospel of our Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

PASTOR MADDIE TALLMAN

SONG OF THE DAY

LORD, BE GLORIFIED



1 In my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;
2 In our song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;
3 In your church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;
4 In your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;



in my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
in our song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
in your church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
in your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.

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Music: BE GLORIFIED, Bob Kilpatrick
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Following each petition:

A: Hear us O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

SHARING THE PEACE

A: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

You are invited to safely share a greeting of Christ's peace with one another.

✠ Meal ✠

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

We are blessed by your generosity! Tithes and offerings can be sent in two ways: electronically by clicking here: <https://rb.gy/ryhn0m> ; or physical checks/cash can be mailed to the office at 105 1st Ave SW, Glen Burnie, MD 21061. Thank you for opening your heart!

OFFERING PRAYER

A: God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Remembering God's saving actions throughout history, we give thanks and invoke the Holy Spirit in this sacred meal.

P: Oh holy God, three-in-one... Amen and Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we are bold to pray,

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

You are invited to consume your own bread and wine/juice, participating in this blessed sacrament.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

✠ Sending ✠

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

P: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

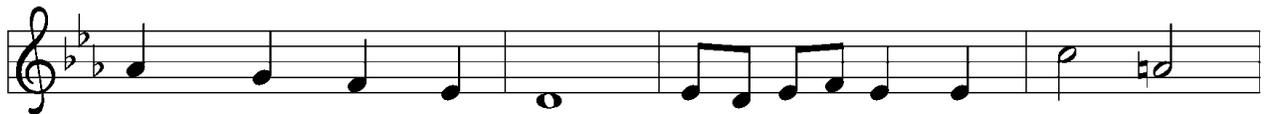
THINE IS THE GLORY



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939
Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759

DISMISSAL

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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