



Now the Feast  
April 14, 2024 at 8 am

Prelude Amy Zisko

Welcome

Invocation

Entrance Hymn **"Christ is Risen! Alleluia!"** ELW#382

Apostolic Greeting

L - 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.**

The Kyrie

L - In peace, in peace, Let us pray to the ...

**C - Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.**

L - For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all ... Let us pray to the ...

**C - Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.**

L - For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word ... Let us pray to the ...

**C - Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.**

L - Help, save and defend us, O God.

**C - Amen**

Hymn of Praise

*Refrain:*

**Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy to the God of life and love and freedom:  
praise and glory forevermore!**

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

**freed and united us to be one great people of God. Refrain**

**2. Power and riches, wisdom and might, all honor and glory to Christ forever. Refrain**

**3. For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God; to make all things new. Refrain**

Prayer of the Day

L - The Lord be with you.

**C - And also with you.**

L - Let us pray. . . .

**C - Amen**

Special Music "There's Something About that Name" Worship Choir

Alleluia Verse: *(please rise for the Alleluia)*

**C - Alleluia, alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life: Alleluia!**

L - The Holy Gospel according to St Luke 24th chapter.

Reading: Luke 24:13-35

p. 92 in the Bible

L: Christ is Risen!

**C: He is Risen Indeed!**

Message

*"Great Expectations"*

Lauren Chambers

Hymn of the Day **"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"** ELW# 325 (vs 1-2)

Confession and Promise of Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

L - Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,

who writes the law on our hearts,

who draws all people together through Jesus.

**C - Amen.**

L - Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin

in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L - Holy God,

**C - we confess that we are caught in snares of sin  
and cannot break free.**

**We hoard resources while our neighbors  
are hungry and cold.**

**We speak in ways that silence others.**

**We are silent when we should speak up.**

**We keep score in our hearts.**

**We let hurts grow into hatred.**

**For all these things and for sins only you know,  
forgive us, Lord.**

**Amen.**

L - Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world,

God draws near to us, breaks every

snare of sin, washes away our wrongs,

and restores the promise of life through Jesus † Christ.

**C - Amen.**

Hymn of the Day **"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"** (vs 3)

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the Community

The congregation is encouraged to respond after "Lord, in your mercy," **"HEAR OUR PRAYER."**

Sharing of the Peace

L - The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C - And also with you.**

Offering

*The offering of Christ Lutheran Church supports the ministry and mission of our congregation. Guests and visitors should feel free not to give; the members of our congregation are given the joy and responsibility to support God's work in our community through these gifts.*

Announcements

Offertory "As the Grains of Wheat"

Offering Prayer

L - Risen One,  
you call us to believe and bear fruit.  
May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love.  
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,  
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

**C - Amen.**

The Holy Communion Story

The Lord's Prayer

**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**

Distribution

Communion Song "**By Your Hand You Feed Your People**" ELW#469

*Prayers for Healing are offered during Holy Communion. You may come for prayers at the prayer station either before or after you have taken communion. Prayers are for those seeking God's healing for emotional, physical, or spiritual brokenness.*

Post Communion Blessing

Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn "**Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen**" ELW#548(vs 1,2,4)

L – Christ is Risen! C – **He is Risen Indeed!**

**The CLC Mission Statement**  
Living the truth of Christ's radical acceptance,  
we are committed to bridging the gaps of our community  
with unconditional love and grace.