



*celebrating  
all people,  
honestly living  
and proclaiming God's grace*

**6 Easter**

**May 5, 2024**



*Indicates please stand*

**PRELUDE**

Trio Sonata 1: Adagio

*J.S. Bach*

# GATHERING

## WELCOME

This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*Psalm 118:24*

## KYRIE AND GLORIA TO GOD

Leader or All



O Lord, have . . . mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer - cy.

All



O Lord, have . . . mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer - cy.

Leader or All



Have mer - cy, O Lord. All  
Have mer - cy, O Lord.



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!



To God be glo-ry for - ev - er! To God be glo-ry for - ev - er!



Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

## WORD

### PRAYER GROUNDED IN GOD'S STORY

Gracious God,  
**we thank you for the boundless love you have lavished upon us through your Son, Jesus Christ. Empower us to abide in this love, that it may overflow from our hearts to those around us. May our lives bear witness to the transforming power of your love, that we would love one another as Christ has loved us. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

### PSALM

**1:1-3**

Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked  
**or stand in the way that sinners take**  
or sit in the company of mockers,  
**but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on God's law day and night.**

That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,  
**which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—**  
whatever they do prospers.

## ✠ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word,



we will trust . . . . . your word.

## ✠ THE GOOD NEWS

**John 15:9-17**

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in that love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup>"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Word of God, Word of Life

**Praise to you, O Christ**

**SONG OF THE DAY** (ACS 986)

**May God Bless Us**  
*Bwana awabariki*



*Bwa - na a - wa - ba - ri - ki, Bwa - na a - wa - ba - ri - ki,*  
May God bless us and keep us; may God bless us and keep us;



*Bwa - na a - wa - ba - ri - ki mi - le - le.*  
may God bless us and keep us ev - er - more.



*U - ki - mcha Bwa - na; Bwa - na a - wa - ba - ri - ki.*  
Re-vere the Lord; . . . may God bless us and keep us.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation...

Leading God, we lift up to you the brokenness and division in our world. Grant wisdom and courage to leaders and policymakers as they seek to promote peace, justice, and reconciliation among nations and communities. May your spirit of love and compassion inspire all people to work together for the common good and to uphold the dignity of all.

God of Grace

**Hear our prayer**

Creator God, we recognize the urgent need to care for your creation and to be good stewards of the earth. Help us to be mindful of our impact in creation and to take actions that promote sustainability. Guide us in our efforts to turn back climate change, preserve biodiversity, and ensure a healthy planet for future generations.

God of Grace

**Hear our prayer**

Gracious Lord, we pray for your church around the world, that it may be a beacon of light and hope. Strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Christ, abiding in love. Empower us to bear fruit that reflects your justice, and to be agents of transformation in our communities and beyond.

God of Grace

**Hear our prayer**

Loving God, we bring before you the concerns and joys of our congregation and the needs of individuals within our community. Comfort those who are grieving, heal the sick, and provide for those who are in need. Grant strength and courage to all who are facing challenges or uncertainties, and fill our hearts with your peace that surpasses all understanding. Hear now the silent and spoken prayers of our hearts as we lift them up to you...

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**AMEN**

**✠ SHARE CHRIST'S PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

# MEAL

## OFFERING & SPECIAL MUSIC

In Christ There Is No East or West

Vista Lutheran Choir

✠ (ELW 692)

### We Are an Offering

We lift our voices  
We lift our hands  
We lift our lives up to You  
We are an offering

Lord, use our voices  
Lord, use our hands  
Lord, use our lives, they are Yours  
We are an offering

All that we have  
All that we are  
All that we hope to be  
We give to You  
We give to You

We lift our voices  
We lift our hands  
We lift our lives up to You  
We are an offering  
We are an offering

### ✠ GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.


**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.


**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en and earth . . . are full of your glo - ry.




Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.




Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of our God.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

**✠ WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**✠ LORD'S PRAYER**

**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**



# WELCOME TO THE TABLE



O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the



sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.



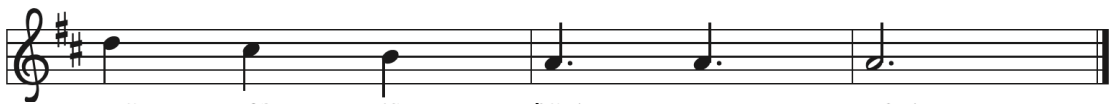
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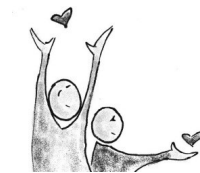


Grant us your peace. A - men.

## COMMUNION BLESSING

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Opportunities for service and connection.*



## ✠ BLESSING

## ✠ SENDING SONG (ELW 389)

### Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.

## ✠ DISMISSAL

Do justice. Love kindness. Jesus walks with you.

**Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

Trio Sonata 1: Allegro

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## **THIS WEEK AT VISTA LUTHERAN**

**May 5, 2024**

- TODAY** 10:00 am Worship  
11:15 Worship Mission Team  
5:00 pm Brass Choir  
7:30 pm Mixed AA
- MONDAY** 10:00 am Bible Study  
5:30 pm Women's AA  
7:00 pm Faith Formation Ministry  
7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous
- TUESDAY** STEP Food Collection  
6:30 pm Women's Al-Anon
- WEDNESDAY** 6:00 pm Confirmation  
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm District 22 AA Meeting
- THURSDAY** 11:30 am Around The Table  
5:30 pm Mixed AA
- SATURDAY** STEP Food Collection  
**9:00 am Spring Clean Up**  
9:15 pm Panera Bread
- SUNDAY** **Happy Mother's Day !!**  
10:00 am Worship  
11:15 am Invitation & Welcome Mission Team  
5:00 pm Brass Choir  
7:30 pm Mixed AA



**May 9, at 11:30 am**

Food, fellowship, and faith. Join us for our monthly lunch gathering where we talk about it all and eat well. Bring a favorite dish or desert for potluck.

If you haven't joined us before - come for community, good conversation and of course good food.

**Annual Spring Clean Up  
Saturday, May 11  
9:00 am to 12:00 noon**



**Interim Pastor**

Rev. Kjell Ferris

**Director of Music**

Christiana Howell

**Musician**

Noah Strom

**Music Leads**

Judy Tyrer, John Carlotto

**Ushers**

Ken Zahn, Jon Olson

**Reader**

Judy Tyrer

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*Thank  
you!*