



Union Evangelical Lutheran Church

May 3, 2020

The 4th Sunday of Easter

GATHERING SONG – “Now Thank, My Soul, Thy Maker...” Praetorius

WELCOME

GOSPEL - John 14:1-6

HYMN – “O Zion, Haste” ELW # 667

O Zion, Haste



1 O Zi - on, haste, your mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,
2 Pub - lish to ev - 'ry peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion
3 He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere you meet him,



to tell to all the world that God is light;
that God, in whom they live and move, is love;
make known to ev - 'ry heart his sav - ing grace;

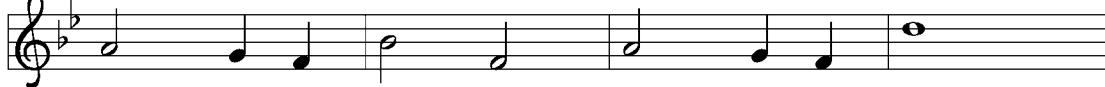


that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing
tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion
let none whom he has ran - somed fail to greet him,



one soul should per - ish, lost in shades of night.
and died on earth that we might live a - bove.
through your ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

Refrain



Pub - lish glad tid - ings, tid - ings of peace,



tid - ings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion, and re - lease.

Text: Mary A. Thomson, 1834–1923

Music: ANGELIC SONGS, James Walch, 1837–1901

APOSTOLIC GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Messiah, Jesus, your followers established churches in communities near and far. Take us outside of ourselves and teach us to give away what you have given to us. Show us how to witness to your presence in places near and far.
Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

NARRATIVE READING - 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

SERMON – The Rev. Gordon Camp

SPECIAL MUSIC: “In the Garden” ...arr. Mark Hayes

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS

Let us pray for the needs of the church and the world to God who raised Jesus to new life.

A brief silence.

Bless the church throughout the world; guide your people as they proclaim the good news of your great love for the world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the soil and water; make us better stewards of the finite resources you have entrusted to us. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the nations; send a spirit of cooperation and compassion among all who make decisions that affect peoples' lives. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the brokenhearted; strengthen our communities and surround all people with supportive and loving groups of friends and neighbors. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the sick and dying; work through hospital chaplains, doctors, nurses, and all staff to provide your peace, comfort, and hope. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless our church; work through our ministries in this difficult time and use us to be your hands and feet in the world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the saints in light; make us mindful of all who have passed the faith onto us and bring us all into your kingdom of life and light. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Through the resurrection of your son, O God, you destroy the power of death and remove your people's shame. By the power of the Spirit, raise us from sin and seat us at the paschal feast, that we may rejoice in the gift of salvation Jesus has won for us.
Amen.

Hear these and all our prayers, spoken and silent,
as well as the words for prayer that Jesus taught us:

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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

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.

DISMISSAL

Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Go in peace. Keep the faith.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE – “Worthy is the Lamb” ... arr. Mary McDonald



Announcements

Welcome to Susan Frickert, our new Director of Music. We are so excited that you are joining our church family!

Check out **previous worship services** or **Wednesday** devotions by going to our website: www.ulclv.org. Click on the blue button “Click here for Virtual Worship”.

Lil Pantry – We are so blessed to be able to help our community by providing food in our Lil Pantry. It is being used heavily. How can you help? Either drop off your food donations directly to the Lil Pantry or mail a check to Union Lutheran Church. We will purchase food and restock as needed.

Clothing bins in our parking lot are open. Please put your gently used clothing, towels, sheets, blankets, curtains, and shoes in a plastic bag and place in one of our collection boxes. All donations will be recycled.

Keeping in our prayers:

Chuck Allison, Nancy Antram, Janie Bahner, Dottie Bealer, Alyson Bucks, Christian Bucks, Connor Bucks, Richard Carlstrand, Bailey Cummings, Russell Dymond (Steve's Dad), Steve Dymond, Lynn Fermato, Barry Fink, Bob Frey, Judy Gifford, Abby Graham, Jake Hammond, Linda Houser, Deb Grundstrom mourning the passing of her daughter, Jennifer, Steve Krisko, Melissa Ludwig, David Schneck, Michael Sechler, Barbara Spohn, Jeffrey Trapp. Stahley Family who are mourning the loss of their father, Arthur Stahley.

We pray for our homebound members, members of our congregation and community who struggle with employment, people affected by the natural disasters and our service people.

We join all of the congregations in the Northern Lehigh Valley Mission District in prayer for the congregation of Holy Trinity in Slatedale.

Please contact Pastor Camp pastor@ulclv.org or the church office office@ulclv.org to share prayer concerns.

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