

INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ Fourth Sunday in Easter • CDC Sunday • April 30th 2023 ✠

Worship Notes: • Our Lector for today is Mimi Fisher • Our Crucifer for today is Jeff Shealy • We are in Setting 3 of the ELW •

PRELUDE

Fugue in G

Dietrich Buxtehude

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 619

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!
DUKE STREET

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Please stand as able and face the back of the church.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing. You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through. In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation. Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear. To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever. **Amen.**

GREETING

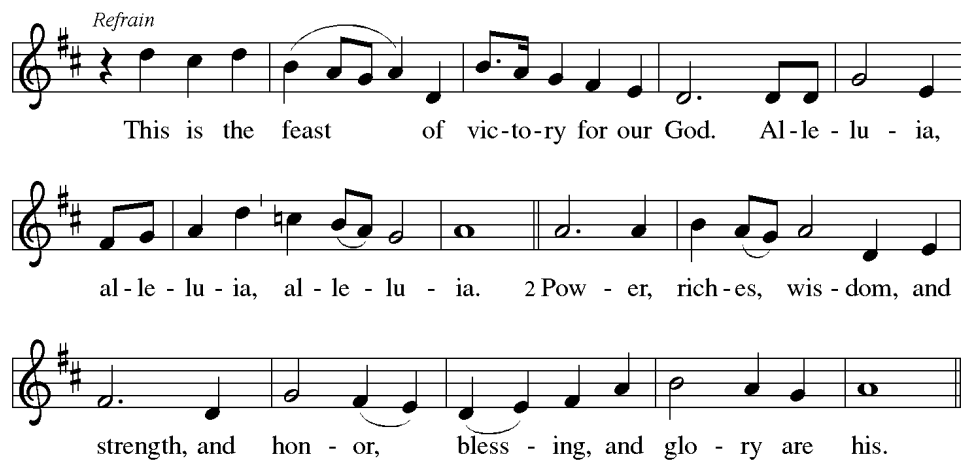
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: p.140

Refrain

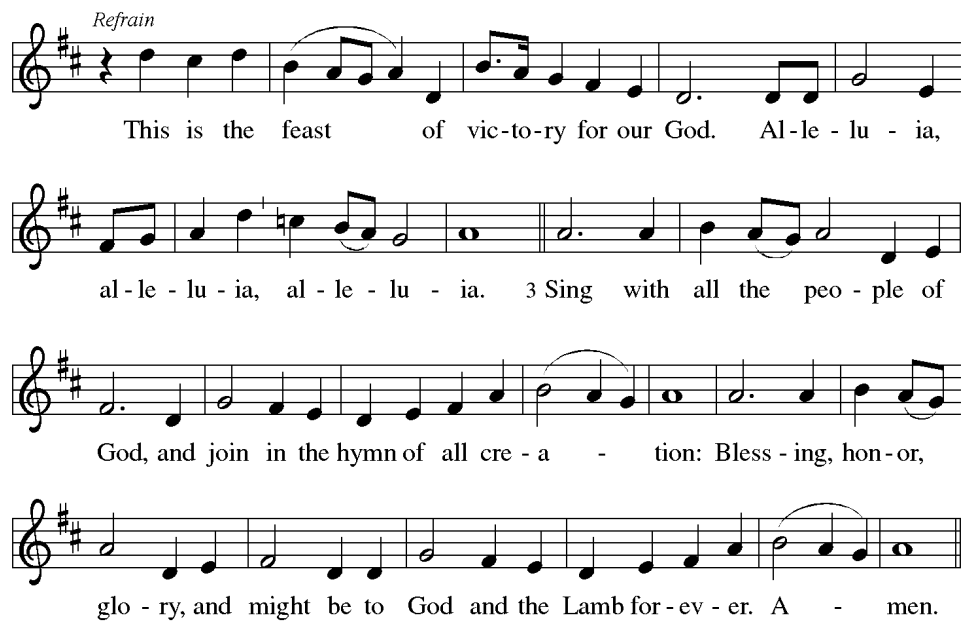
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. I Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain




This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

CHAPEL SONG SING-A-LONG

FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47

⁴²[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³You restore my soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

ANTHEM:

Psalm 23 ("The Lord Is My Shepherd") Heinz Werner Zimmermann

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:1-5

¹Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. ²Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation — ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: p.142



GOSPEL: John 10:1-10

Please stand as able.

Before the Reading: The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ¹“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

After the Reading: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Emily Willhide

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 502

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
ST. COLUMBIA

RECOGNITION OF OUR CDC COMMUNITY

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Please stand as able.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes “*Hear us, O God.*” We respond: “**Your mercy is great.**”

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

The offering plate will be passed throughout the Congregation.

OFFERTORY: ELW 691

Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring
BARBARA ALLEN

Please stand as able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ELW 752

Lord Listen to Your Children Praying
CHILDREN PRAYING



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

ELW 752

Lord Listen to Your Children Praying
CHILDREN PRAYING

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

ELW 752

Lord Listen to Your Children Praying
CHILDREN PRAYING

LORD'S PRAYER

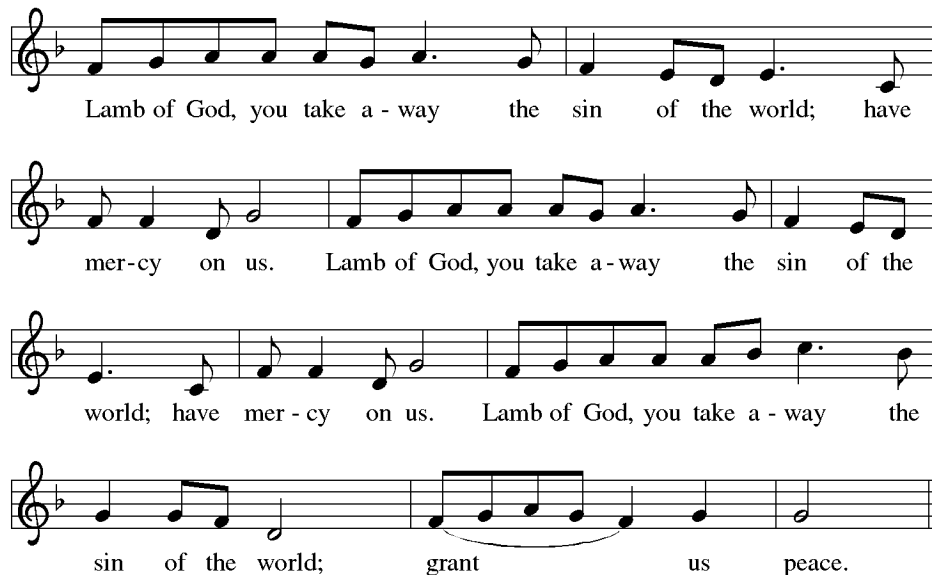
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
Please be seated.

COMMUNION - *We invite you to join with us in the sacrament of Holy Communion, as Jesus invites us all to the table. The communion cups are in trays at the front of the church. There are discard trays by the side aisles. Please follow the directions of the Ushers.*

LAMB OF GOD: p.208



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 780

Shepherd Me, O God
SHEPHERD ME

COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 484

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart
BICENTENNIAL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School: 9:00 am • Children Sunday School: 9:15 am • Worship: 10:00 am

Office Hours: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm M-F

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Prayer List

- Current: The Family of Tom Fryar, The family of Jim Hattler, The family of Michael Ballentine, Luzie Arnold, Jeff DeJames, and all homebound and caregivers.
- Continuing: Elizabeth Johnson, Brandon Faust, Harry Evans, Meredith Schulz, Sandy Richardson
- Military: Mike Turner, (Mavis Turner's son), Hilary Compton, (Kim Yerrick's niece), Tyler Owens, (Kim Yerrick's nephew).

Financial Update

	Actual	Plan	Difference
Last Week	\$5,460	\$5,000	\$460+
April	\$21,485	\$20,000	\$1,485+
Year-to-Date	\$88,351	\$80,000	\$8,351+

Red Door Sunday SUNDAY, MAY 7TH



Thank you Gina!

Join us in celebrating the end of Seminarian Gina Schaefer's time with us Sunday, May 7th! She will begin internship in Durham, NC next fall.

CDC is Hiring!

Immediate openings for full time and part time co-teachers in our faith-based child development centers. Please forward resumes to cdc@incarnationlutheran.com.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 30th: CDC Sunday 6:00 pm Palmetto Chamber Orchestra Concert

Wednesday, May 3rd: Worship and Music Meeting at 5:30 pm

Sunday, May 7th: Red Door Sunday & 4:00 pm Choral Evensong and Organ Recital by Dr. Patrick Hawkins at ILC

Giving to ILC

Please consider giving to Incarnation Lutheran Church's ministries and projects. We are in need of 2 more credence tables, to match the tables in the chancel, at a cost of \$2500.00. If you are interested in contributing, please make your offering to Alter Guild.



STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET

APRIL 30TH, 2023

WE ARE PARTNERS WITH GOD
FINANCING AND CARRYING OUT
HIS WORK ON THIS EARTH



Do you want to join Incarnation? If so, please contact the office at office@incarnationlutheran.com so that we can gather your contact information and reach out to you.