

# The Resurrection of Our Lord

## Word & Eucharist

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God Loves. We Love.  
Everyone!  
Dios Ama. Amamos.  
Todos!

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## Everyone is welcome. This means you.

Welcome to First English Lutheran Church & Child Development Center (FELC). We are a congregation of the Southwestern Texas Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). You are invited to fully participate in a community of faith and friendship that gathers for worship, relationship building, personal growth, and service in the community and the world. Following the example of Christ, this congregation welcomes you exactly as you are.

Worship is at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we encounter God, express our theology, define our identity, and are formed and transformed as the people of God. As we are gathered together, we receive the Word of God, give thanks, and are sent to be living, active images of divine love.

FELC is committed to the work of racial equity, justice, and advocating for marginalized groups. We welcome people in all places on the journey of faith and life. We celebrate differences in age, appearance, economic status, ethnic origin, nationality, race, family configuration, marital or relationship status, political leaning, religious background, and those who are differently abled physically or mentally. Since 1989, FELC has openly welcomed persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities and expressions to full participation in the church and society. For more on our welcome and life, visit [www.felcaustin.org](http://www.felcaustin.org).

When we gather in the **Chapel of the Saints**, we gather as the saints of God in prayer, worship, and community. We gather with the saints of the past that we remember in various ways: the names engraved on the Columbarium, the Cloud of Witnesses mobile hanging in the Chapel containing the names of all who have died at FELC since 1936, and the icons displayed on the walls that remind us of people who inspire our faith and action today. The icons in the Chapel, by artist Kelly Latimore, are diverse saints, ancient and contemporary, and eight more are installed in the hallway outside the north transept entrance. The Columbarium consists of separate niches that can hold up to two urns each.

**All Gender Restrooms**, with infant changing tables, are located in the hallway off of the sanctuary near the fellowship hall. **Hearing assistance devices** are available for the sanctuary, with two options: an earpiece, or a hearing loop for those who use hearing aids; please connect with an usher for a hearing assistance device. **Seat cushions**, for use on our wood pews and chairs are available from an usher in the narthex.

We acknowledge the presence of God's people living on this land long before European conquest. These lands and waters have sustained the Coahuiltecan, Comanche, Jumanos, Lipan Apache, Sana, Tonkawa, and other indigenous peoples for thousands of years. Gathering today to worship on ancestral homelands, we acknowledge and honor our indigenous sisters, siblings, and brothers who continue to care for the land and water and call this land home.

A diversity of music is an important part of our witness, including the acoustics of our nave. As we grow our music ministry, we embark on a restoration campaign for our valued and aged pipe organ.

# ✝ GATHERING ✝

Easter Day, Year C

*The Holy Spirit gathers us into community.*

## Gathering & Flowering the Cross

*Before and during the gathering music, the assembly is invited to decorate the cross with cut flowers. This wrapped cross was fashioned from a previous Christmas tree.*

**Gathering Music**      *Instrumental music is offered.*

***Christ Jesus Lay In Death's Strong Bands***

Martin Luther/Johann Walter (1542)

***Easter Celebration Medley***

arranged by Gary Lanier (b. 1966)

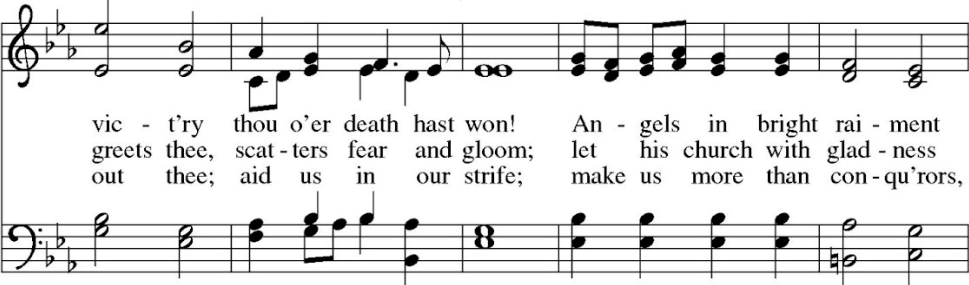
***Andante***

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

Edmond Budry (18954-1932); Judas Maccabaeus, George F. Handel (1685-1759)



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  
 greets 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!

## Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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.**

## Prayer of the Day

God of all grace, we no longer search for Jesus among the dead,  
for he is alive and has become the Lord of life.

Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with him,  
and help us to grow in the fullness of life with you and all creation;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## Welcome to Community!

**If this is one of your first times with First English,** please use this QR code.

We are grateful for the opportunity to connect more.



## First Reading

**Isaiah 65:17-25** NRSVue

- <sup>17</sup> For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;  
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.
- <sup>18</sup> But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating,  
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight.
- <sup>19</sup> I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people;  
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress.
- <sup>20</sup> No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days  
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime,  
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,  
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
- <sup>21</sup> They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- <sup>22</sup> They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat,  
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,  
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
- <sup>23</sup> They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,  
for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—and their descendants as well.
- <sup>24</sup> Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.
- <sup>25</sup> The wolf and the lamb shall feed together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox,  
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!  
They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly remains seated.*

## Response

***This is the Day*** based on Psalm 118; Natalie Sleeth

*A soloist sings the refrain once, and all repeat as indicated.*



- 1 Christ has conquered death at last,  
left the tomb that held him fast!  
Gone the sorrow, gone the night.  
Dawns the morning clear and bright! ***Refrain***
- 2 Jesus lives who once was dead,  
crown of glory on his head.  
Risen now our Lord and King:  
songs of gladness let us sing. ***Refrain***

*Children and families are invited to gather near the baptismal font.*

## Faith of a Child & Spirit Space | Alleluia!

Prayer: Thank you, God, for your beautiful world, for Jesus' love, for church friends and family, and for making me, me. Amen.

We welcome children with a Spirit Space in the North Transept for gentle play and reading, including a rug, floor pillows, soft blocks, and coloring supplies. Children and adults can engage the Spirit Space throughout the liturgy. We welcome children by encouraging them and celebrating the joy and livelihood they offer in life and throughout the liturgy and space.

*Easter bags with Legos, Duplos, crayons, and other items will be distributed to children.*





The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord!**

## **Holy Gospel**

**Luke 24:1-12**

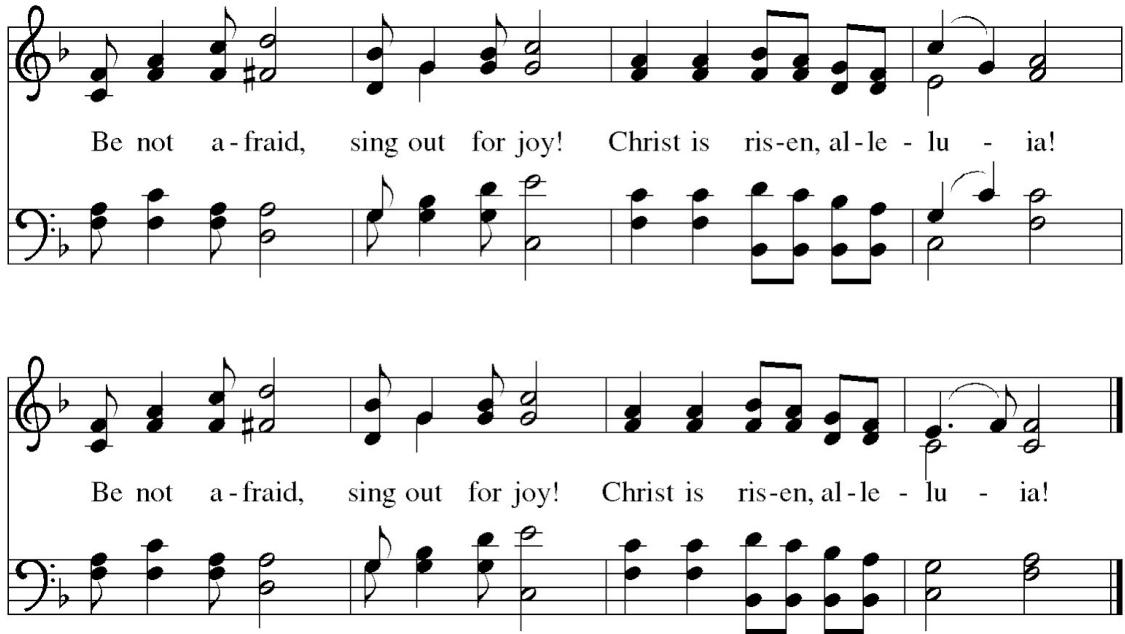
<sup>1</sup>But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup>They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup>but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup>While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup>The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. <sup>6</sup>Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup>that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." <sup>8</sup>Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup>and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup>Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup>But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup>But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ!**

*The assembly repeats the Gospel Acclamation.*

## **Sermon**

*The assembly stands.*



Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

## ✠ RENEWAL of HOLY BAPTISM ✠

*A Paschal candle is a central symbol in the church's worship life. The paschal candle, newly made and lit at baptisms, renewals, funerals, and throughout the Easter season, shines with the light of Christ's resurrection, reminding all that we have new life in God's love.*

### Affirmation of Faith

Let us boldly make affirmation of our faith before God and embrace the life of the Spirit. If you are not a disciple of Jesus, may this affirmation be a sign of blessing and an invitation to deeper relationships in the life of the Church.

I ask you who are to be baptized, and all disciples of Jesus, to affirm your faith, reject sin, and confess the faith of the whole church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**I renounce them!**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**I renounce them!**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them!**

## **Apostles' Creed**

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

## **Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

You have made public affirmation of your faith.

Do you intend to live in the covenant God makes with you in holy baptism:  
to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share  
in the Lord's Supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through  
word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,  
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

## Thanksgiving at the Font

*Water is poured into the font.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Blessed are you, holy God.

You are the creator of the waters of the earth.

You are the fire of rebirth.

You breathe life into our dry bones.

Your Son Jesus sends the Spirit to all people that the world may know your peace and love.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, breathe new life into us, and keep us in your eternal embrace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen!**

## Prayer of the Holy Spirit

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in us the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sin - ners to re - deem and save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 where the an - gels ev - er sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Al - le - lu - ia!

*The prayers of intercession today are offered within the Thanksgiving at the Table at the communion liturgy.*

## Sharing the Peace

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

The exchange of peace within the gathered community is an ancient Christian practice. Gentle signs of reconciliation and love renew and build relationships prior to coming to God's table for Eucharist.

## ✠MEAL✠

*God feeds and blesses us with the presence of the risen Christ.*

## Welcome to Communion & Offering

*We reflect on our stewardship of the gifts of God entrusted to us for the mission of the church and the care of those in need. God welcomes our generosity. Financial gifts may be shared through the offering plate or online at [www.felcaustin.org/information/giving](http://www.felcaustin.org/information/giving).*

## Offering Music

## Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

text: Martin Luther (1483-1546)

arr. J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

*The second stanza will be sung first, in German.*

Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands for our offenses given;  
but now at God's right hand he stands and brings us life from heaven.  
Therefore let us joyful be and sing to God right thankfully loud songs of hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Then let us feast this Easter day on Christ, the bread of heaven;  
the Word of grace has purged away the old and evil leaven.  
Christ alone, our souls will feed, he is our meat and drink indeed; faith lives upon no other! Hallelujah!

*The assembly may stand as bread, wine, and other gifts are presented and prepared for blessing.*

1 I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble,  
 2 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk and hon - ey,  
 3 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,

I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble, some of these days.  
 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk and hon - ey, some of these days.  
 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.

I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble,  
 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk and hon - ey,  
 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,

I'm goin' - a eat at the wel - come ta - ble, some of these days.  
 I'm goin' - a feast on milk and hon - ey, some of these days.  
 I'm goin' - a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.

## Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O living God, through your goodness we offer you this bread:  
fruit of the earth and work of human hands.

### **Blessed be God forever!**

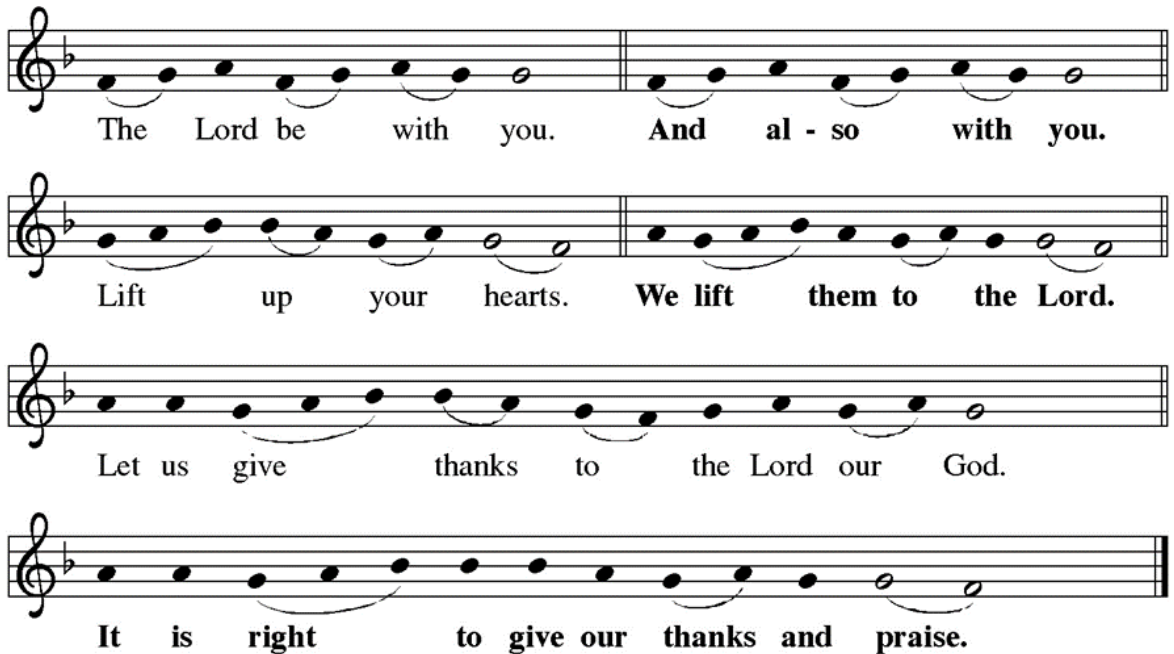
Blessed are you, O living God, through your goodness we offer you this wine:  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

### **Blessed be God forever!**

We praise you, O living God, for you create the fruits of the earth and vine. **Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

Joel Martinson (b. 1960)



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . join their unending hymn:

## Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

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

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

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

## Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy, living, and loving God . . .  
and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

In the night in which he was betrayed . . .

Remembering, therefore, Christ's life-giving death and glorious resurrection,  
we await your promised life for all this hurting and beautiful world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!**

Breathe your Spirit on us . . . clothed in the new life of Christ.

Remember, Lord, your one, holy, . . .and preserve us in peace.

Remember the people of the nations . . . new, peaceful day with lasting justice.

Remember the sick and all who cry out . . . grant them healing and restoration.

Remember the people in this assembly . . . that we may live for love alone.

Remember all the blessed dead . . . through the power of your love.

Through Christ, ✙ with Christ, in Christ, all glory and honor is yours, gracious God,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the church and in the world, both now and forever. **AMEN!**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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**

**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.**

**Padre nuestro que estás en el  
cielo, santificado sea tu  
nombre. Venga tu reino.  
Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra  
como en el cielo. Danos hoy  
nuestro pan de cada día.  
Perdona nuestras ofensas  
como también nosotros  
perdonamos a los que nos  
ofenden. No nos dejes caer en  
tentación y líbranos del mal.  
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es  
el poder, y tuya es la gloria,  
ahora y siempre. Amén.**

**Our Creator in heaven, holy is  
your name, your kin-dom  
come, your will be done, on  
earth as in heaven. Give us  
today our daily bread. Forgive  
us our sin, as we forgive those  
who sin against us. Save us  
from the time of trial, and  
deliver us from evil. For the  
kin-dom, the power, and the  
glory are yours, now and  
forever. Amen.**

## Breaking the Bread

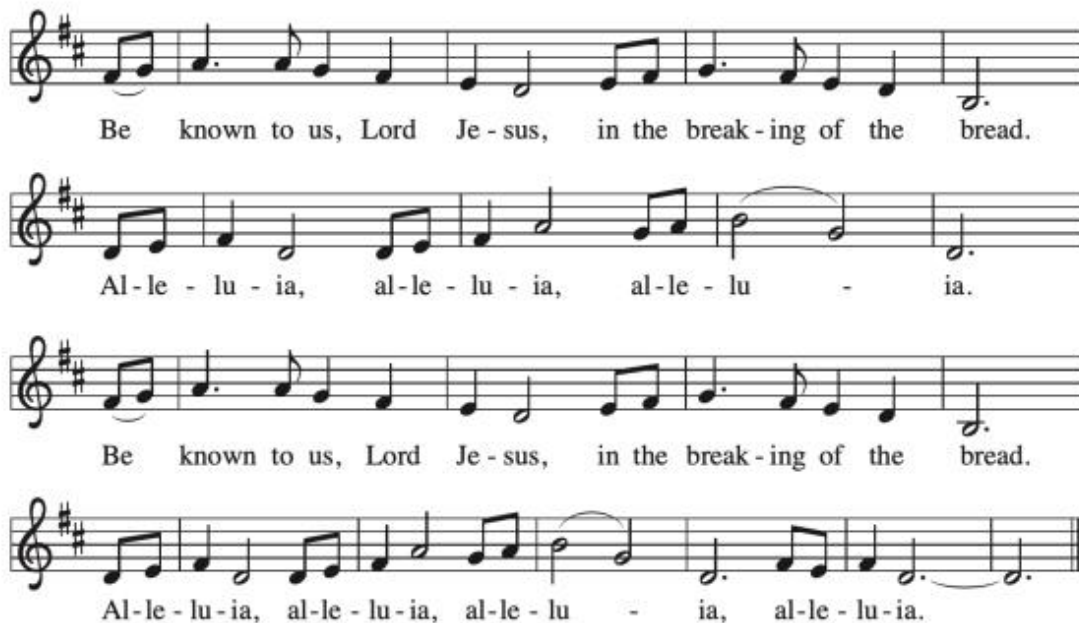
Alleluia! Christ our Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!**

*The assembly is seated.*

## Song of Response

text: based on 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; music: Anne Krentz Organ (b. 1960)



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Invitation to Communion & Blessing

God, in Christ, fully welcomes people of every age to this Meal, which is known by many names: the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion, the Mass, the Sacrament, the Eucharist. We encourage you to participate in ways that are meaningful for you.

For those participating onsite, ushers will direct you by the center aisle to a station to receive bread in your hand for you to eat, then proceed to a station and receive a small cup, where wine will be poured and consumed. Gluten-free wafers/ grape juice are available upon request. If you desire not to receive bread or wine, you are invited to a station where a minister will offer a prayer of blessing. Then, return to your seat by a side aisle. We join in prayer, meditation, and music. If you desire communion or a blessing at your place, let an usher or minister know.

## Communion Music

### **Andante**

Guiseppe Concone (1840-1861)

Oliver Rajamani

*The assembly remains seated as we offer our thanks.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

Living God, thank you for making your home with us in this holy meal.  
Empowered by the Spirit, may we wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain,  
seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of Jesus Christ,  
our risen Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns, now and forever. **Amen.**

## ✠ SENDING ✠

*God blesses us and sends us in mission and service with the world.*

## Community Invitations & Announcements

*The assembly may stand as we pray for God's courage and receive God's blessing.*

### **Prayer for Courage**

Let us pray together.  
O God, **you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths untrodden, through things unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us, and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Blessing**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

May the blessing of God, ✠ whose Spirit raised Christ to new life,  
strengthen you in faith, enrich you with hope, and fill you for love,  
now and forever. **Amen.**


# Sending Hymn in Procession

## He Is Risen

Text: Cecil Alexander (1818-1895); *Unser Herrscher*; Joachim Neander (1650-1680)



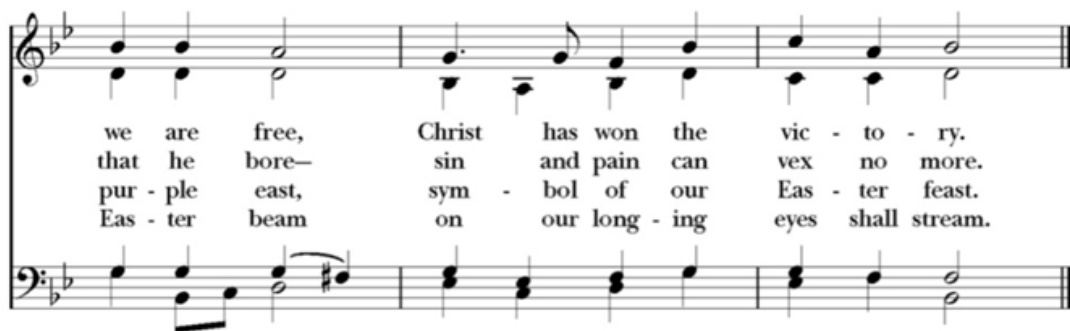
1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with  
 2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and  
 \*3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -  
 4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened



joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;  
 ra - dian't brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;  
 um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming  
 hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,



let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,  
 Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion  
 yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the  
 ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er



we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.  
 that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.  
 pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.  
 Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

## Dismissal to Mission

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Go in peace to love and serve in newness of life!

**Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

## Sending Music

## Trumpet Tune

attributed to Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

## Festive Hospitality & Easter Egg Hunt

*All are invited to a time of hospitality on the front porch at the main entrance.*

*If weather does not permit, we will gather in the fellowship hall.*

*An Easter Egg hunt for little ones begins in the front courtyard (or the CDC classrooms in inclement weather) during hospitality time.*

## ✝ OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED. OUR SERVICE BEGINS. ✝

### EASTER DAY THANKSGIVINGS

*We give thanks to God for many offerings, including:*

- the gift of Easter Lilies by Teresa Ringness in memory of her son, Jeffrey David Tice;
- the Easter Cross, from a previous Christmas tree, fashioned by Terry Porter;
  - the stewardship of God's creation & our campus;
- those who prepare our hospitality time & Easter Egg Hunt;
  - those who prepare & serve food for the hungry;
- those who donate for the mission & engagement of this congregation;
- those who offer the gifts of art & music, poetry & preaching to glorify God;
  - the gifts of children's wonder & elders wisdom;
- those who advocate, heal, teach, protect, care, & serve;
- those who work, pray, & protest for peace with justice;
- every blessing today & for the joy of welcoming God's presence in one another.

## MICAH 6 YOUTH DROP IN CENTER UPDATE

The Micah 6 Youth Drop In Center has an urgent need for the following:

- Men's underwear, t shirts, and shorts (size L, XL)
- Men's and Women's shoes
- Children's clothing
- Phone chargers

Gently used clothing is accepted. Affordable options are available at Target, Costco, Walmart, and Sam's Club. Contact Micah 6 treasurer, Ryan Valentine, [Ryan.valentine@gmail.com](mailto:Ryan.valentine@gmail.com), regarding reimbursement for these or other Micah 6 purchases. Receipts are required.

Sign up to volunteer at the Micah 6 Food pantry at [micah6austin.org](http://micah6austin.org). Contact Andy MacLaren, [andymaclaren@cs.com](mailto:andymaclaren@cs.com), 512-947-4186, for information regarding Micah 6 ministries. Thanks for your continued support!

## FELC OFFICE CLOSURE

The FELC office will be closed on Monday, April 21.

## CHICKEN BBQ | SATURDAY, APRIL 26

All are welcome to the longest-running community event of FELC (since 1964): the annual chicken BBQ, to be held in the parking lot (weather permitting). Pitmasters will start smoking chickens in the outdoor smoker pit in the afternoon; the potato salad & beans team will be getting the sides ready. Come to visit beginning at 4 PM. BYOB. Dinner will be served around 6 PM, and includes BBQ chicken, beans, potato salad, drinks, and ice cream. Beans and potato salad are vegetarian. Vegans are welcome to bring their favorite dish to share. ***Come one, come all!***

Visit [felcaustin.org](http://felcaustin.org) to learn more about the FELC welcome, worship, community life, learning, engagement, racial justice, and reconciliation ministries, and the CDC.  
To subscribe to a weekly email newsletter, contact [office@felcaustin.org](mailto:office@felcaustin.org).



## **PRAYER CONCERNS & JOYS**

### **As a community of faith, we pray for:**

the citizens, leaders, immigrants, & refugees of the United States;  
the places of war, recovery, oppression, disaster, & conflict;  
those who advocate for healing, safety, justice, inclusion, & equity;  
all in need of safe shelter, nourishing food, & quality care, & for those who offer it;  
all living with addiction, cancer, grief, & with spiritual, health, & employment needs;  
those celebrating Passover, of various traditions, & people of goodwill;  
the whole church throughout the world;  
FELC congregation, council, CDC board, staff, & our mission & ministry;  
those who visit First English this weekend;  
FELC pastoral candidate;  
Micah 6 Food Ministries & executive director Barry Smith;  
benevolence ministry partner LuMin, & Pastor Bradley Fuerst;  
benevolence ministry partner Global Refuge, & CEO Krish O'Mara Vignarajah;  
Marian Klumpp, in home hospice;  
Sarah Roberts, in treatment for cancer;  
Pastor Rosemarie Doucette, friend of Michelle Lingo, for healing;  
Betty Green, mother of Paulette Clemons, in the hospital;  
Freddie Bates, Jr., brother of Paulette Clemons, in the hospital;  
Elton Powdrill, uncle of Paulette Clemons, who died;  
all who are homebound;  
all who have died;  
all in any need & thanksgiving.

**The FELC Prayer Circle** gathers faithfully to offer prayer. Contact: [bschutz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bschutz@sbcglobal.net).

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