

# Friday Worship

Farewell and Godspeed for Deacon Tammy Jones West Friday, June 3, 2022 | 5pm St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

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#### Prelude

#### Welcome

## Gathering Hymn: ELW 858 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Congregation stands, as able.



Words: Joachim Neander, tr. Catherine Winkworth; Music: Ernewerten Gesanbuguch, Part II, Stralsund

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluig!

Leader: 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:

All: through the earth,

through the city,

through every living thing.

Leader: 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.

All: You open the gate of righteousness

and we pass safely through.

Leader: In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety.

All: You call us forth and send us out.

Leader: 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.

All: Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.

Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.

Leader: To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and

thanksgiving, now and forever.

All: Amen.



## Hymn of Praise: ELW 377 Alleluia! Jesus is Risen (stanzas 1, 2, & 5)



Words: Herbert Brokering, Music: David Johnson

## Prayer of the Day

Leader: O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Congregation is seated.

#### First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, "Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words!

"Therefore, let all Israel know beyond question that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ." When the crowd heard this, they were deeply troubled. They said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter replied, "Change your hearts and lives. Each of you must be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is for you, your children, and for all who are far away—as many as the Lord our God invites." With many other words he testified to them and encouraged them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation." Those who accepted Peter's message were baptized. God brought about three thousand people into the community on that day.

Reader: Word of God, word of life

All: Thanks be to God

#### Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Leader: I love the LORD because he hears my requests for mercy.

All: I'll call out to him as long as I live, because he listens closely to me.

Leader: Death's ropes bound me; the distress of the grave found me—

I came face-to-face with trouble and grief.

All: So I called on the Lord's name:

"LORD, please save me!"

Leader: What can I give back to the LORD for all the good things he has done for me?

All: I'll lift up the cup of salvation.

I'll call on the Lord's name.

I'll keep the promises I made to the Lord

in the presence of all God's people.

Leader: The death of the LORD's faithful is a costly loss in his eyes.

All: Oh yes, Lord, I am definitely your servant!

Leader: I am your servant and the son of your female servant—you've freed me from my chains.

All: So I'll offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving to you,

and I'll call on the Lord's name

in the courtyards of the Lord's house, which is in the center of Jerusalem.

Praise the Lord!

#### Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-23

Since you call upon a Father who judges all people according to their actions without favoritism, you should conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your dwelling in a strange land. Live in this way, knowing that you were not liberated by perishable things like silver or gold from the empty lifestyle you inherited from your ancestors. Instead, you were liberated by the precious blood of Christ, like that of a flawless, spotless lamb. Christ was chosen before the creation of the world, but was only revealed at the end of time. This was done for you, who through Christ are faithful to the God who raised him from the dead and gave him glory. So now, your faith and hope should rest in God.

As you set yourselves apart by your obedience to the truth so that you might have genuine affection for your fellow believers, love each other deeply and earnestly. Do this because you have been given new birth—not from the type of seed that decays but from seed that doesn't. This seed is God's life-giving and enduring word.

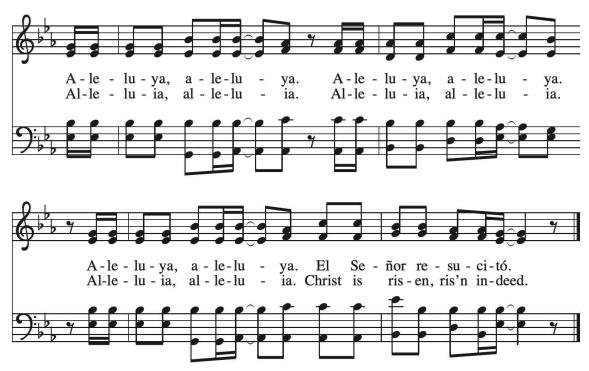
Reader: Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Congregation stands, as able.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Sung first time in Spanish, second time in English



Music: José Ruiz

Gospel: John 20:1-18

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

All: Glory to you, O Lord

On that same day, two disciples were traveling to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking to each other about everything that had happened. While they were discussing these things, Jesus himself arrived and joined them on their journey. They were prevented from recognizing him. He said to them, "What are you talking about as you walk along?" They stopped, their faces downcast. The one named Cleopas replied, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who is unaware of the things that have taken place there over the last few days?" He said to them, "What things?"

They said to him, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth. Because of his powerful deeds and words, he was recognized by God and all the people as a prophet. But our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him. We had hoped he was the one who would redeem Israel. All these things happened three days ago. But there's more: Some women from our group have left us stunned. They went to the tomb early this morning and didn't find his body. They came to us saying that they had even seen a vision of angels who told them he is alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women said. They didn't see him." Then Jesus said to them, "You foolish people! Your dull minds keep you from believing all that the prophets talked about. Wasn't it necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then he interpreted for them the things written about himself in all the scriptures, starting with Moses and going through all the Prophets.

When they came to Emmaus, he acted as if he was going on ahead. But they urged him, saying, "Stay with us. It's nearly evening, and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. After he took his seat at the table with them, he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he disappeared

from their sight. said to each other, "Weren't our hearts on fire when he spoke to us along the road and when he explained the scriptures for us?" They got up right then and returned to Jerusalem. They found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying to each other, "The Lord really has risen! He appeared to Simon!" Then the two disciples described what had happened along the road and how Jesus was made known to them as he broke the bread.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to You, O Christ

Congregation is seated.

Sermon The Rev. CeCee Mills

#### Hymn of the Day: ACS 939 Touch That Soothes and Heals

Congregation stands, as able, at the conclusion of the introduction.



## A Service to Commemorate Specialized Pastoral Care

Leader: A Reading from Acts, Chapter 10:

At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of what was known as the Italian Cohort, a devout man who feared God with all his household, gave alms generously to the people, and prayed continually to God. About the ninth hour of the day he saw clearly in a vision an angel of God come in and say to him, "Cornelius." And he stared at him in terror and said, "What is it, Lord?" And he said to him, "Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God. And now send men to Joppa and bring one Simon who is called Peter. He is lodging with one Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the sea." When the angel who spoke to him had departed, he called two of his servants and a devout soldier from among those who attended him, and having related everything to them, he sent them to Joppa.

All specialized pastoral caregivers are invited forward.

Leader: Today it is our privilege to recognize and support those who continue their service.

Dear friends, united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are invited to join in God's mission for the life of the world. You are called to fulfill that mission in your daily lives through your service as a specialized minister.

Let us pray.

Lord, you provide all good things for our life and health, including raising up leaders to guide your people. Thank you for giving us faithful leaders who serve Your beloved in so many ways. Their dedication, compassion, and integrity are signs of your hands in the world. Bless them as they carry on to serve you . Continue to equip them with strength, courage, and integrity, so that they forever remain gentle hands and mighty warriors in your service of peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: We give you thanks, O God, for all who respond to the call to serve. Give them joy and

fulfillment, care and guidance in their tasks. Help us all to give willingly and to receive thankfully the gifts of leadership, that your name may be glorified, your people live in peace,

and your will be done; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you always!

All: And also with you.

The people may greet each other with a sign of peace. Congregation is seated.

#### Offering

The Mission Fund will be the recipient of tonight's offering. The Mission Fund works to create sustainable mission communities in the NC Synod that change lives for the sake of the gospel. The current mission developments are: Living Waters, Cherokee; Emmaus, Kannapolis; Christ's Beloved Community, Winston-Salem; The Dwelling, Winston-Salem; Arbol de Vida, Durham; South Durham Connections, Durham; Anam Cara Community, digital community; and Community of Spiritual Practice, Asheville.

# Music During the Offering: Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

Music: Handt Hanson, arr. Timothy Albrecht

#### Offertory Prayer

Leader

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

All:

## Dialogue

Leader: The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **Proper Preface**

Leader: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Santo, Santo, Santo / Holy, Holy, Holy (Sanctus)

Sung first time in Spanish, second time in English

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Words: Traditional, Music: Argentine traditional

God.

#### Words of Institution

Leader: 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. 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.

## Lord's Prayer

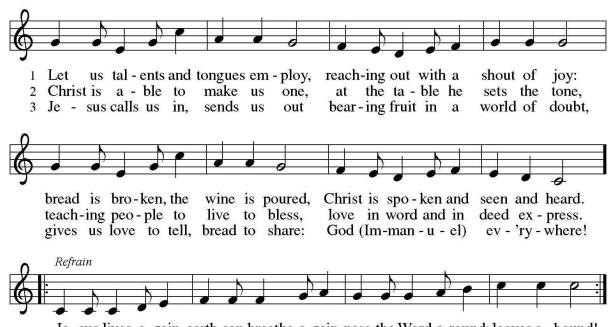
All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine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

#### Invitation to Communion

Leader: Come to the table. Be made well, and live.

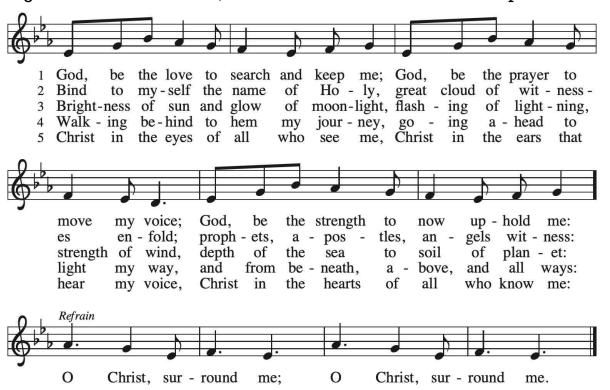
Congregation is seated.

## Music During Communion: ELW 674 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



Je-sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

## Music During Communion: ACS 1084 God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me



Words and Music: Richard Buxvoort Colligan



Music During Communion: ELW 597 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less



Words: Edward Mote, Music: William B. Bradbury

#### Prayer After Communion

Leader: Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

## Farewell and Godspeed

Leader: Deacon Tammy, as you leave our synod staff, we wish to bid you farewell.

A Reading from Exodus:

The Lord said, "I am going to send an angel in front of you, to guard you on the way and to bring you to the place that I have prepared." (Exodus 23:20)

A Reading from John:

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

In holy baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you a worker in God's world. When you came to this synod staff we rejoiced to welcome you into the mission we share as the people of God. In this community you have come to know and to share in God's loving purpose for you and for all creation. God has blessed you in this community, and God has blessed us through you.

We encourage you to continue to receive and share God's gifts in your new position as the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering Director, united with us in the body of Christ and the mission we share.

Let us pray.

Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of your servant Tammy, Who has enriched this synod and shared her gifts with her colleagues, friends and family. Now bless and preserve her at this time of transition. Day by day, guide her and give her what is needed, friends to cheer her way, and a clear vision of that to which you are now calling her.

By your Holy Spirit be present in her pilgrimage, that she may travel with the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Congregation stands, as able.

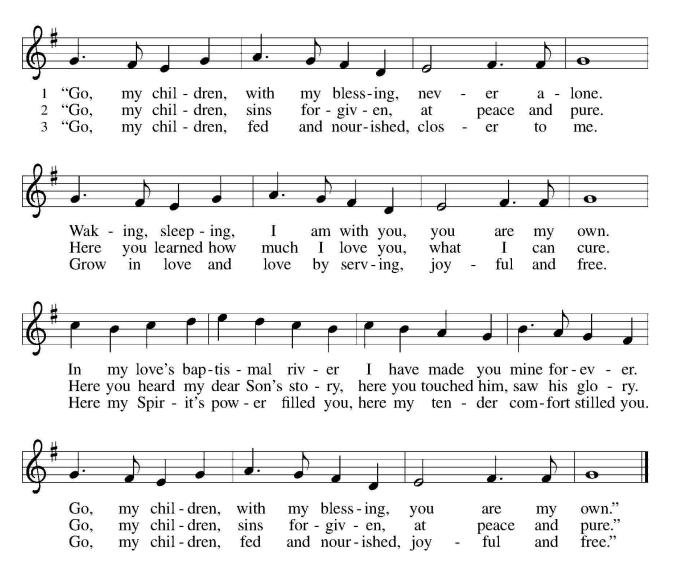
## Blessing

Leader: God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,

+ bless you now and forever.

All: Amen.

## Sending Hymn: ELW 543 Go My Children, with My Blessing



Words: Jaroslav Vajda, Music: arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

#### Dismissal

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Leader: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

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#### **Leading Worship**

Presider: CAPT Brian J. Stamm, U.S. Navy, Chaplain Corps

**Preacher:** The Rev. CeCee Mills

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Deacon Mindy Makant

The Rev. Jasmine Tesdahl, Air Force Reserve, Chaplain

Deacon Liz Fisher

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