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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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Easter Greeting

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Gathering Song
Earth, Earth, Awake! – No. 937

Vs. 1

**Earth, earth, awake! Your praises sing! Alleluia!
Greet with the dawn your risen King! Alleluia!
Bright suns and stars, your homage pay! Alleluia!
Life reigns again this Easter day! Alleluia!**

Vs. 2

**All nature sings of hope reborn! Alleluia!
Christ lives to comfort those who mourn! Alleluia!
First fruit of all the dead who sleep! Alleluia!
Promise of joy for all who weep! Alleluia!**

Vs. 3

Winter is past; the night is gone! Alleluia!

Christ's light, triumphant, brings the dawn! Alleluia!

Creation spreads its springtime bloom! Alleluia!

Life bursts like flame from death's cold tomb! Alleluia!

Vs. 4

Winter is past; the night is gone! Alleluia!

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Kyrie

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

...Help, save, comfort, and defend
us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Song Of Praise
This is the Feast – Page 193

Refrain

**This is the feast of vict'ry for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Vs. 1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing and glory are his. *Refrain***

**Vs. 2 Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor, glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. *Refrain***

**Vs. 3 For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia, alleluia. *Refrain***

Psalm 66:8-20

Refrain: Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

Bless our | God, you peoples;
let the sound of | praise be heard.

**⁹ Our God has kept us a- | mong the living
and has not allowed our | feet to slip. R**

¹⁰ For you, O God, have | tested us;
you have tried us just as sil- | ver is tried.

**¹¹ You brought us in- | to the net;
you laid heavy burdens up- | on our backs.**

¹² You let people ride over our heads; we went through | fire and water,
but you brought us out into a place | of refreshment.

**¹³ I will enter your house | with burnt offerings
and will pay | you my vows—**

- ¹⁴ those that I promised | with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I | was in trouble.
- ¹⁵ **I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the | smoke of rams;
I will give you ox- | en and goats. R**
- ¹⁶ Come and listen, all you | who believe,
and I will tell you what God has | done for me.
- ¹⁷ **I called out to God | with my mouth,
and praised the Lord | with my tongue.**
- ¹⁸ If I had cherished evil | in my heart,
the Lord would | not have heard me;
- ¹⁹ **but in truth | God has heard me
and has attended to the sound | of my prayer.**
- ²⁰ Blessed be God, who has not reject- | ed my prayer,
nor withheld unfailing | love from me. **R**

Refrain: Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia.* Those who love me will keep my word, and my Fa- | ther will love them,* and we will come to them and make our | home with them. *Alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Word of God, word of life.
Praise to you, O Christ

Hymn of the Day

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds – No. 367

Vs. 1

**Come down, O Love divine;
seek thou this soul of mine
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near;
within my heart appear
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.**

Vs. 2

**Oh, let it freely burn,
till worldly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.**

Vs. 3

**Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing--
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.**

Vs. 4

**And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the pow'r of human telling;
no soul can guess Love's grace
till it become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.**

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Merciful God,
Receive our prayer

Peace Sharing

The peace of the risen Christ
be with you always.

And also with you.



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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.

Holy

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.**

Thanksgiving Prayer

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.

Lamb of God

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

Communion Songs

Loaves were broken, words were spoken – No. 966

Vs. 1

**Loaves were broken, words were spoken
by the Galilean shore.
Jesus, Bread of life from heaven,
was their food forevermore.**

Refrain

**By your body broken for us,
by your wine of life outpoured,
Jesus, feed again your people.
Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.**

Vs. 2

**Loaves were broken, words were spoken
in a quiet room one night.
In the bread and wine you gave them,
Christ, you came as Light from Light. Refrain**

Vs. 3

**Loaves are broken, words are spoken,
as in faith we gather here.**

Jesus speaks across the ages:

"I am with you; do not fear!" *Refrain*

Vs. 4

**By the loaves you break and give us,
send us in your name to share
bread for which the millions hunger,
words that tell your love and care. Refrain**

Refrain

**By your body broken for us,
by your wine of life outpoured,
Jesus, feed again your people.
Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.**

Children of the heavenly Father – No. 781

Vs. 1

**Children of the heav'nly Father
safely in his bosom gather;
nestling bird nor star in heaven
such a refuge e'er was given.**

Vs. 2

**God his own doth tend and nourish,
in his holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things he spares them,
in his mighty arms he bears them.**

Vs. 3

**Neither life nor death shall ever
from the Lord his children sever;
unto them his grace he showeth,
and their sorrows all he knoweth.**

Vs. 4

**Though he giveth or he taketh,
God his children ne'er forsaketh;
his the loving purpose solely
to preserve them pure and holy.**

This is Christ's body – No. 967

**This is Christ's body, broken and blest.
Feed us with mercy and love.
We are Christ's body, broken and blest.
Heal us and make us one.**

Sending Song

We Know That Christ Is Raised – No. 449

Vs. 1

**We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold,
and our despair he turned to blazing joy.
Hallelujah!**

Vs. 2

**We share by water in his saving death.
Reborn, we share with him an Easter life,
as living members of our Savior Christ.
Hallelujah!**

Vs. 3

**The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.
The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God.
Baptized, we live with God the Three in One.
Hallelujah!**

Vs. 4

**A new creation comes to life and grows
as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.
The universe restored and whole will sing:
Hallelujah!**

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