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**PRELUDE**

Christ is Risen

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**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit Calls us together as the people of God.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

In celebration of our baptism, we worship

In the name of God: Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG # 1**

**We Believe**

**Revelations Praise Band**

*(Please be seated as we prepare our hearts for confession)*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.*

Merciful God,  
you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.  
You lead us beside still waters.  
We thank you for the waters of creation:  
morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.  
We thank you for the waters that nourish us (*local waters may be named*).  
Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness  
who accompanies us on our journeys.  
We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.  
We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.  
Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.  
Break down barriers that divide us.  
Fill us with the breath of peace.  
Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,  
and for making us a new creation.  
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG # 2**

**Be the Centre**

**Revelations Praise Band**

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

## GOSPEL

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

**The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 24<sup>th</sup> Chapter**

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these**

things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" <sup>19</sup> He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. <sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!"

<sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

Vicar Abbey Knappman

**SERMON**

Vicar Abbey Knappman

**SONG OF THE DAY**

**The Table**

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## APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us affirm our faith with the Apostles' Creed:

**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.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.

*(Please be seated and join us in prayer)*

**PRAYER SONG**

**As We Pray**

**Revelations Praise Band**

## INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation and open our hearts to God's will.

*A brief silence.*

Living Savior, just as you journeyed with the disciples to Emmaus, accompany us on our journey of faith. Gather us at your table, that we recognize you in the breaking of the bread. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Almighty God, you provide for the needs of all creation. Bless the fields that are being prepared for planting and send favorable weather so that the soil may yield an abundant harvest. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

God of justice, where leaders abuse power, confront them and call them to repentance. Where there is corruption, bring integrity; where there is war and conflict as in Eastern Europe, the Middle East, Asia, Africa and the Americas, sow peace. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Healing Savior, your resurrection brings hope to a hurting world. Heal those who are sick especially Andrea Hangen, Heather, David Adams, Angie Myers, Allison Gregory, Steve and Cheryl Williams, Dorothy Benthine, Edward Dykman, Tommy Brewer, Cathy Carleton, Rob Rushton, Sally McCarville, Gabe Derr, Terry Touhey, Mary Jane Auld, Linden Cummings, Larry Sorenson, Juanita Steinbaugh, Andrew Langr, Mark Krueger, Bob White, and Beverly Carlson. Strengthen the weary, give courage to the despairing, and comfort the dying. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Gracious One, you have made us your own through the gift of baptism. Unite us in genuine love for one another and uphold this community in your name. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Eternal Light, we give thanks for Olavus Petri, Laurentius Petri who have nurtured your church's life in ages past. Also, we remember Lou Echols, and Addison Ann Wehrle and commend them to your eternal care. Comfort all who mourn, especially their families and loved ones in their grief. Assure us all that neither death nor life can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Merciful God, grant protection and safety to service women and men deployed to the Middle East in this time of war, especially Kyle C. God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.  
**Amen.**

**PRAYER SONG**

**As We Pray**

**Revelations Praise Band**

## **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

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.

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:**  
**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.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Come to the table of new life.  
Receive the risen Lord.

### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

**COMMUNION SONG**

**Do This**

**Revelation Praise Band**

### **TABLE BLESSING**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy One,  
through this meal you have made your home among us  
and are making all things new.  
Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,  
to love our enemies,  
and to bring your healing to the nations.  
In the name of Jesus,  
Amen.

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## BLESSING

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,  
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,  
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,  
✝ bless you now and forever.  
Amen.

## SENDING SONG

Alive Forever Amen

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## MISSION STATEMENT

**Guided by the Gospel, we:**  
Welcome all to worship;  
Make disciples;  
Hunger for ministry;  
Nurture youth;  
Gather resources for growing ministries;  
Offer healing and care to all in need.

## DISMISSAL

**Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!**  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## OFFERING

*(Please place gifts in the plate as you leave)*