



Easter tide

May 18, 2025 at 9:30am (EDT)

Leading us in worship this morning:

Julie Brouwer, Deacon
Ray Rowell, Elder
Elizabeth Jolliffe, Liturgist
Noah Cherry, Music Associate
North Hills Quartet: Sarah Lawlis, Olivia Langsdorf, Caleb Ramsey, Aidan Laidlaw
Mary Baker, Organist
John Steigenga, Pastor
Carol Kenney, Pianist
Rick Konik, Technical Assistant
David Baker, Usher

Please sign and pass the blue Friendship Register located at the end of your pew.

We Come into Sanctuary

Gathering music

Our Call to Worship: *I Will Magnify Thee* Joseph Corfe

I will magnify thee, O Lord
For Thou hast set me up
And made me to triumph in Thy salvation

~Text: Psalm 30:1

***Our Opening Hymn:** *The Strife Is O'er* Hymnal 185

***God's Greeting and Mutual Greetings**

Today's greeting: "The Lord is risen!" The response: "He is risen indeed!"

***A Song of Praise:** *He Is Lord* Hymnal 227

We Celebrate our Easter Life

Call to Confession

Our Prayer of Confession (prayed by all):

**O Mighty Father,
the tomb calls forth our wonder
for it is empty, and Christ has risen!
Grant us to be crucified with Christ that we may live a new life,
for we wish to be dead and buried
to sin, to selfishness, and to the world;
that we might not hear the voice of the charmer
and be seduced by his lusts.**

**Cleanse us from selfishness, pride, fear
and the desire for the approval of others.
Grant us more and more of His resurrection life;
may it rule us, may we walk in its power,
and be strengthened through its influence,
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.**

Amen.

The Assurance of God's Grace

***Our Hymn of Gratitude:** *Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit* Hymnal 745

We Listen to God

Our Morning Prayers

Our Offerings are Received

There are four ways to give your offering:

- In person: An offering plate is at the east Sanctuary entrance
- Our website: Click “giving” tab
- Mail: Send a check to North Hills Church / 3150 N Adams Road / Troy / 48084
- On your phone: Download and use Vanco mobile app (Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement)

The Scripture Lesson: Genesis 4:1–16 *The Bible*, page 6

One: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

The Anthem: *Lord, Make Me an Instrument* Allen Pote

Lord make me an instrument of Thy peace
Where there is hatred, let me sow love
Where there is injury, Thy pardon, Lord
Where there is doubt, let there be faith

Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace

Where there's despair let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, let there be light
Where there is sadness, let there be joy

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much
Seek to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love

O Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace

Where there is hatred, let me sow love
For it is in giving that we receive
And it is pardoning that we are pardoned
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace

Amen

~St. Francis of Assisi

The Sermon: *Echoes of Cain*

The Sermon Prayer

***The Sermon Hymn:** *Amazing Grace* Hymnal 691

***God's Blessing**

We Depart to Serve

***The Doxology:** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Hymnal 965

You are invited to sing in the language of your choice; 12 different languages are printed in our hymnal.

***The Organ Postlude**

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and fellowship.

When the bell rings, return to the Sanctuary for our congregational meeting.



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The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

Alleluias to be sung at the beginning and conclusion of the hymn

D G D Bm F#m D A D *Fine*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; the vic - to -
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
 3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped; he ris - es

ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
 le - gions has dis - persed. Let shouts of ho - ly
 glo - rious from the dead. All glo - ry to our

has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 ris - en Head. Al - le - lu - ia!

4 He closed the yawning gates of hell;
 the bars from heaven's high portals fell.
 Let hymns of praise his triumph tell.
 Alleluia!

5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee,
 from death's dread sting thy servants free,
 that we may live and sing to thee.
 Alleluia!

Words: *Symphonia Sirenum*, Cologne, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1861, P.D.

Music (VICTORY 4.4.4.8.8.8.4): Giovanni da Palestrina, 1591; adapt. and arr. William H. Monk, 1861, P.D.

He Is Lord

C7 F

1 He is Lord, he is Lord, he is ris - en from the
 2 He is King, he is King, he will draw all na - tions
 3 He is Love, he is Love, he has shown us by his
 4 He is Life, he is Life, he has died to set us

dead, and he is Lord! Ev - ery knee shall bow, ev - ery
 to him; he is King! And the time shall be when the
 life that he is Love! All his peo - ple sing with one
 free, and he is Life! And he calls us all to live

B^b Gm7 F/C C7 F

tongue con - fess that Je - sus Christ is Lord.
 world shall sing that Je - sus Christ is King.
 voice of joy that Je - sus Christ is Love.
 ev - er - more, for Je - sus Christ is Life.

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Music (HE IS LORD 3.3.11.10.6): Marvin Frey © 1977 Marvin Frey; harm. Dale Grotenhuis (1931-2012)
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Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit

C G7 C

1 Dwell in me, O bless-ed Spir - it! How I need your help di - vine!
2 Grant to me your sa - cred pres-ence; then my faith will ne'er de - cline.

F C G7 C

In the way of life e - ter - nal, keep, O keep this heart of mine.
Com - fort me and help me on - ward; fill with love this heart of mine.

Refrain F C G7 C

Dwell in me, O bless - ed Spir - it, gra - cious Teach - er, Friend di - vine!

Dm G7 C

For the king - dom work that calls me, O pre - pare this heart of mine.

Amazing Grace

1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour, I first be - lieved!
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.

4 Through many dangers, toils, and snares
 I have already come;
 'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
 and grace will lead me home.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years,
 bright shining as the sun,
 we've no less days to sing God's praise
 than when we'd first begun.

For an alternate arrangement see 670

Words: st. 1-4 John Newton, 1779, st. 5 *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790, P.D.

Music (NEW BRITAIN 8.6.8.6): *Virginia Harmony*, 1831; adapt. and harm. Edwin O. Excell, 1900, P.D.

965 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

G Em D G C G D

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be-low;

Em C D7/A Em D/F# G D C G/D D G

praise him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

Cherokee

Oo ne la nuh hilikidodah,
Oo ne la nuh hi Oo weji,
Oo ne la nuh
hi ahdahnuhdo,
Kehdihlgwodah hnagwase.

Mohawk

Ron wa sen naiens ne Niio
ron wa sen naiens
ne non kwe,
ron we sen naiens
neh ne ken
ron wa sen naiens ro ni ha.

Navajo

Bóhólníihii baa dahohniih,
'Éi baa 'ahééh danohsinii,
Nihookáá' diné nohliinii
Chánahgo bich'i'
dahohhtaal.

German

Gott Vater, dem sei
ewig Herr,
Gott Sohn, der ist der
einig Herr,
und dem Tröster,
Heiligen Geist,
von nun an bis in Ewigkeit.

French

Gloire à Dieu,
notre Créateur;
gloire à Christ,
notre Rédempteur;
gloire à l'Esprit Consolateur!
Louange et gloire
à Dieu, Sauveur.

Portuguese

A Deus, supremo benfeitor.
Ao Filho eterno,
Deus de amor.
Ao Santo Deus consolador,
Ó anjos e homens,
dai louvor.

Spanish

A Dios, el Padre celestial,
al Hijo, nuestro Redentor,
al eternal Consolador
unidos todos alabad.

Dutch

Aan God de Vader zij de eer,
aan God de Zoon
voor immermeer,
aan God do Geest
die troost en leidt
zij lof ne en to allen tijd.

Korean

만복의 근원 하나님
만물아 찬양하여라
알렐루야 알렐루야
복 주시는 주 하나님
힘 주시는 주 예수님
주의 성령 찬양하라
알렐루야 알렐루야 알렐루야

Japanese

たたえよ主の民
御使いとともに
恵みにあふれる
父・子・聖霊を

Mandarin

颂赞上主万福之源；
颂赞基督救赎恩洪；
颂赞圣灵・我保惠师；
崇敬至尊三一真神。
阿们・阿们。

For an alternate arrangement see 843, 924

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