

The Resurrection of Our Lord
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8:30am & 11:00am



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THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, EASTER SUNDAY

“The last enemy to be destroyed is death,” the Apostle Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, let us rejoice and be glad. Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Carillon

PRELUDE FOR EASTER *Sinfonia* – Antonio Vivaldi
The Central Brass Ensemble, Timpani, and Organ

INTROIT *O Worship the King* – Kevin McChesney
The Central Handbell Ensemble

WELCOME

LITANY FOR EASTER (*please stand as you are able*)

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Oh, sing to the Lord a new song.

For God has done marvelous things!

Because of God’s steadfast love,

All the ends of the earth have seen the glory of our God.

For now is Christ risen from the dead!

Make a joyful noise unto God, all the earth.

Break forth into joyous song and praises.

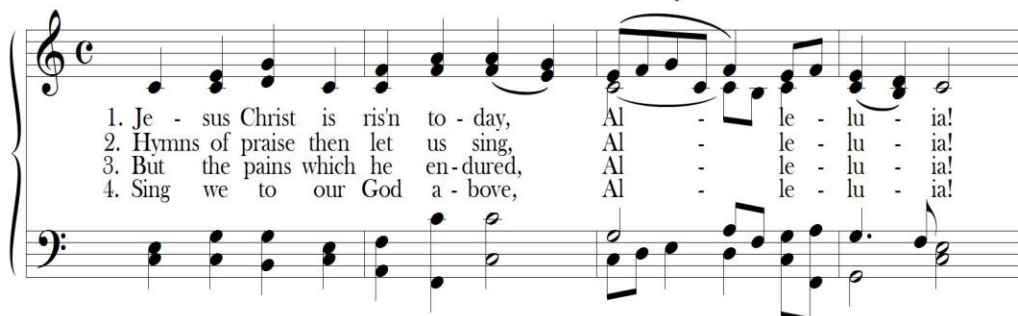
For God will rule the earth with righteousness.

Nothing in all creation can separate us from
the love of God in Christ Jesus.

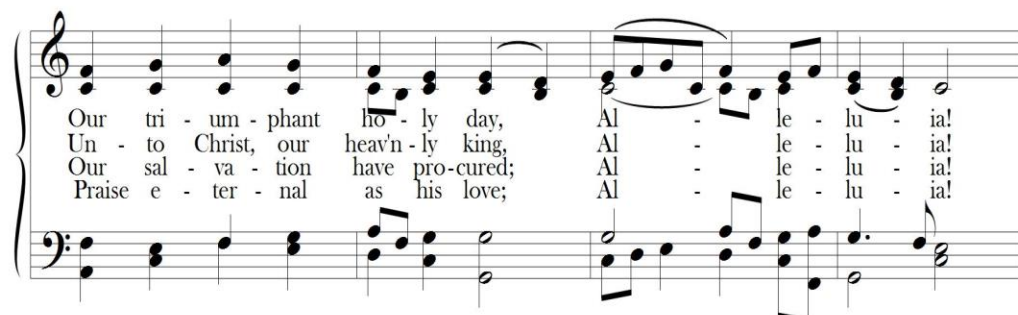
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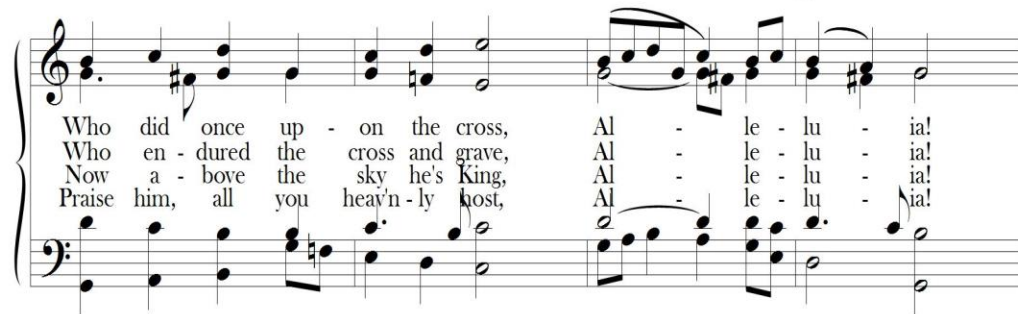
PROCESSIONAL HYMN Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!



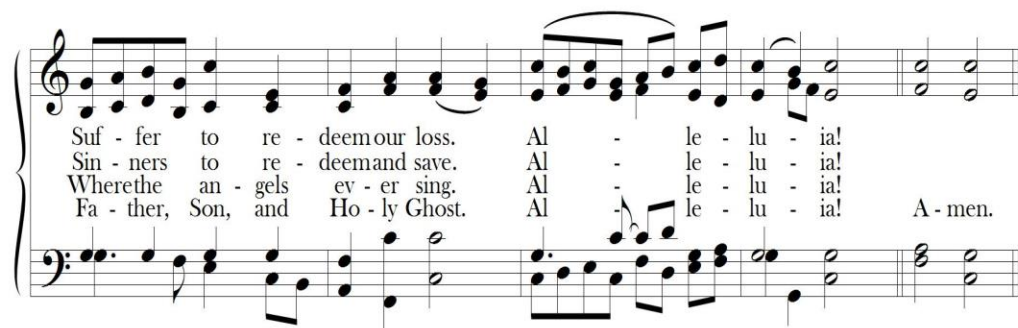
1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4. Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



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! A - men.

REETING

The grace of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE

1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
Chris - te e - lei - son.

Translation: Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

Ukrainian Orthodox

GLORIA

Organ

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to God's peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we worship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the
Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; You are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer. Organ

For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

SALUTATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (please be seated)**

FIRST LESSON Acts 10:34-43

Peter crosses the immense religious and social boundary that separates Jews from Gentiles in order to proclaim the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, so that God's forgiveness in Jesus' name would reach out to all people.

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of Life. Thanks be to God

ANTHEM *Psalm 150* – Jeremiah Clarke Children's Choir & Jr. Cantors

CHILDREN'S CHOIR:

Agatha Anderson
Evan Barrett
Louisa Barrett
Hannah Hardwick

Eliot Hodgetts
Henry Koscho
Oliver Miller
Evelyn Neckels

Greyson Neckels
Piper Neubert
Iris Nickodemus
Paul Rodgers

JUNIOR CANTORS:

Lukas Henriksen
Charlotte Miller

Sam Rodgers
Arya Saks

Ayla Solinsky
Signe Smith
CJ Strietelmeier

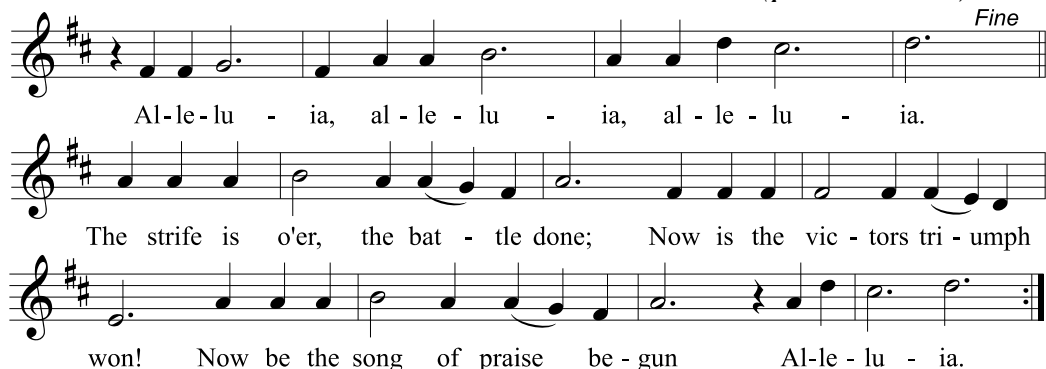
SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Paul describes the consequences of the resurrection, including the promise of new life in Christ to a world that has been in bondage to death. He celebrates the destruction of evil and the establishment of God's victorious rule over all.

Paul writes, If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. The Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

During the Gospel Acclamation our children are invited to join Pastor Laurie and our Jr. Cantors in the Chapel for a special children's message. We will return during the sharing of the peace.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(please stand)*



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

The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; Now is the vic - tors tri - umph

won! Now be the song of praise be - gun Al-le - lu - ia.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL Luke 24:1-12

The Gospel according to Luke, the 24th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 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. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen clothes by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of our Risen Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

ANTHEM

I Was Glad

Charles Herbert Parry

The Central Chorale with the Central Brass Ensemble and Timpani

SERMON

Pastor Ben Nickodemus

HYMN OF THE DAY Thine is the Glory (*please stand*)



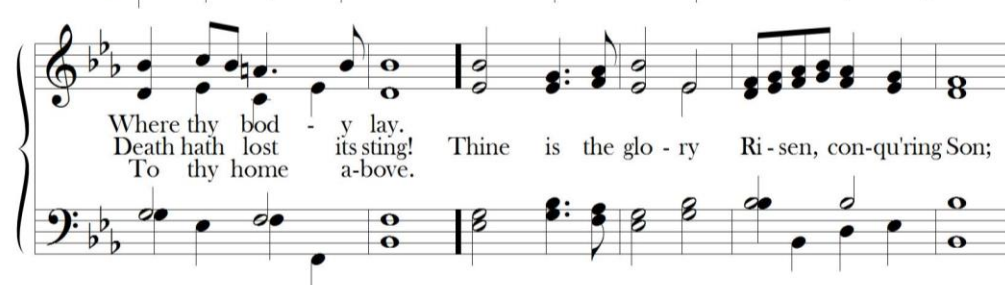
1. Thine is the glo - ry Ri - sen, con-qu'ring Son; End - less is the
 2. Lo, Je - sus meets thee, Ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
 3. No more we doubt thee, Glo - rious Prince of life; Life is nought with -



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



Where thy bod - y lay.
 Death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry Ri - sen, con-qu'ring Son;
 To thy home a - bove.



End - less is the vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hast won!

NICENE CREED

With the whole church throughout the ages, let us profess our Christian faith using the words of the 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. *(please be seated)*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

We receive the morning offerings.

OFFERTORY

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals - Sigrid Karg-Elert

The Central Brass Ensemble with Timpani & Organ

OFFERTORY RESPONSE This Joyful Eastertide (*please stand*)

This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, A - way with sin and sor - row!

row! my love, the Cru - ci - fied, Has sprung to life this

mor - row. Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst his

three-day pris - on. Our faith had been in vain. But now has Christ a -

ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en; a - ris - en!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

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.

PROPER PREFACE

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Organ

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, — heaven and earth are full — of your glo-ry.

Hosan-na in the highest. Organ Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Hosan-na in the high-est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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. *(please be seated)*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome to the Lord's Supper. You will receive the bread in the form of a wafer and then you may dip it into the cup with red wine or white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are also available—simply let your server know. Those who do not wish to receive communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. Or, if you prefer you may remain seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

MOTET *Alleluia in resurrectione tua* – Jacobus Gallus Chorale
Alleluia. In your resurrection, O Lord Jesus, sing for joy, O heaven and earth, Alleluia. Today the Lord is risen from the grave who for us, was crucified. Then did they all rejoice when they saw the Lord, Alleluia.

ANTHEM *Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren* – Brahms
Central Brass Ensemble and Organ

MOTET *Beautiful Savior* – F.M. Christiansen
The Chorale with Alyse Jamieson, Mezzosoprano

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

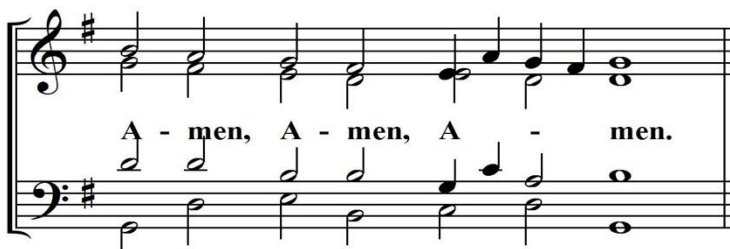
And now may the body and blood of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Living Christ, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION *(please stand)*

The blessing of the living God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage.

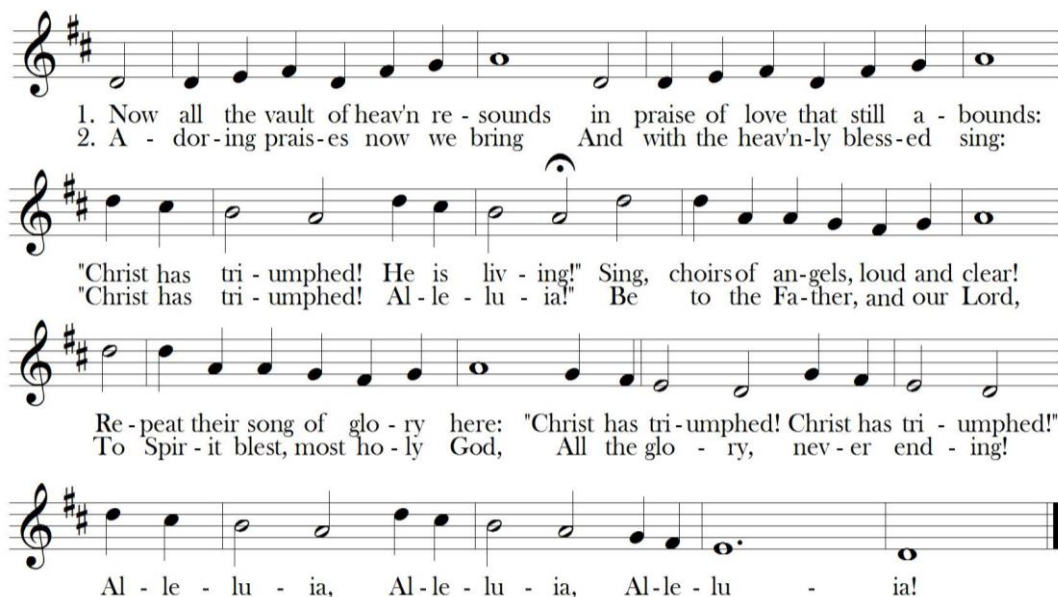


EASTER PEAL

The Carillon



RECESSIONAL HYMN Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1. Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds in praise of love that still a - bounds:
2. A - dor-ing prais-es now we bring And with the heav'n-ly bless-ed sing:

"Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an-gels, loud and clear!
"Christ has tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa-ther, and our Lord,

Re - peat their song of glo - ry here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!

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

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Go in peace. Serve the Risen Christ.

Thanks be to God.

We invite you to remain seated through the voluntary; however, if you choose to depart, we kindly ask you to do so in silence.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY *Toccata* from the **Fifth Organ Symphony** – Widor

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Thank you for worshipping with us today!

Central Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Oregon Synod, is a Reconciling in Christ community: We affirm that Christ has made us one body with many members, all sharing in God's wondrous grace and unconditional love.

We celebrate both the human variation and inclusive unity of God's family. Following Jesus' example, we embrace all of God's people regardless of ethnicity, physical and mental abilities, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic circumstance. With welcoming hearts, we invite you to join us in worship, fellowship, and ministry.

Our mission is to be the hands and feet of Jesus by loving God and one another, nurturing faithful living, serving those in need, and sharing the Gospel.

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