

9:30 & 11:00

I AM  
the Vine



## THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 2, 2021 Divine Old Setting 3

CALL TO WORSHIP

*“Your Name Is Holy”*

by Doerksen

You are the sov'reign I AM; Your Name is holy.

You are the pure, spotless Lamb; Your Name is holy!

You are the Almighty One; Your Name is holy.

You are the Christ, God's own Son; Your Name is holy!

In Your Name there is mercy for sin,  
there is safety within; in Your holy Name.

In Your Name there is strength to remain,  
to stand in spite of pain, in Your holy Name! *(repeat from beginning)*

You are the sov'reign I AM; Your Name is holy.

You are the pure, spotless Lamb; Your Name is holy! Your Name is holy!

WELCOME & THEME

✠ PREPARATION ✠

*(stand)*

OPENING SONG

*“Hallelujah for the Cross”*

by King & Wright  
*arr. Galbraith & Iula*

Up to the hill of Calvary my Savior went courageously  
and there He bled and died for me. Hallelujah for the cross.

And on that day the world was changed, a final, perfect Lamb was slain.

Let earth and heaven now proclaim: Hallelujah for the cross.

*(chorus) Hallelujah for the war He fought. Love has won, death has lost.  
Hallelujah, for the souls He bought. Hallelujah for the cross.*

What I have done could never save; my debt too great for deeds to pay.

But, God my Savior made a way. Hallelujah for the cross.

A slave to sin, my life was bound. But, all my chains fell to the ground  
when Jesus' blood came flowing down. Hallelujah for the cross. *(chorus)*

And when I breathe my final breath I'll have no need to fear that rest.

This hope will guide me into death. Hallelujah for the cross. *(chorus x2)*

Hallelujah for the cross. Hallelujah for the cross.

## INVOCATION & OPENING PRAYER

*(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.)*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b; [18-20]*

**P** Merciful Father, through Holy Baptism You called us to be Your own possession. Grant that our lives may evidence the working of Your Holy Spirit in love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control, according to the image of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C** Amen.

## ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

*(sit)*

EPISTLE

Galatians 5:13-25

<sup>13</sup>You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. <sup>14</sup>The entire law is summed up in a single command “Love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>15</sup>If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

<sup>16</sup>So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. <sup>17</sup>For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want. <sup>18</sup>But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

<sup>19</sup>The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; <sup>20</sup>idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions <sup>21</sup>and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

<sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup>Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup>Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

## HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:1-8, *ESV*

[Jesus said] <sup>1</sup>“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup>Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit He takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup>Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup>Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. <sup>5</sup>I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in Me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup>If anyone does not abide in Me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup>If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup>By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be My disciples.”

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (*11:00 only*)

SERMON SONG

“*Open Our Eyes*”

by Cull

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.

Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,  
open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus. (*repeat from beginning*)

SERMON

“*I AM the Vine*”*(stand)*

PRAYERS

*When the pastor says, “Oh, give thanks to the Lord for He is good,”  
the congregation responds, “His steadfast love endures forever.”*

- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray,
- C** 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.

## APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## ✠ SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION ✠

### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

**P** Our LORD Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### SHARING OF THE PEACE

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

*(sit)*

### DISTRIBUTION

### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

*(stand)*

## BENEDICTION

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.  
*And all God's people say,*
- C** *Amen!*

## CLOSING SONG

*"You're Worthy of My Praise"*

by Ruis

I will worship with all of my heart; I will praise You with all of my strength;  
 I will seek You all of my days; I will follow all of Your ways.

*(chorus) I will give You all my worship; I will give You all my praise.  
 You alone I long to worship; You alone are worthy of my praise.*

I will bow down, and hail You as King; I will serve You, give You everything;  
 I will lift up my eyes to Your throne; I will trust You, trust You alone.

*(chorus x2) (musical interlude) (chorus x3)*

- P** We enter to worship,  
**C** we exit to witness.

## REGARDING THANK OFFERINGS

**To our Guests** – Your gifts to the LORD are deeply appreciated, but please do not feel obligated to give an offering.

**To our Members** – Our offerings and tithes are our acknowledgment that God has given us all that we have. We return to Him a portion that helps build His Kingdom on earth through the ministries of this congregation.

**Offerings can be given in the following ways:**

- Place in the box found by the sanctuary door as you exit.
- Drop off or mail to the church office.
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## ✧ THOSE SERVING THIS MORNING ✧

### Preacher

Pastor Keith Piotter

Live Stream/Children's Message (11:00)

Eric Brei

### Projectionist/Sound Tech

Karen Netherton & Nikki Sheehan

### Glory Bound Director/Guitar

Jason Nickles

### Glory Bound Musicians

Randy Mester, Carissa Huffman, Judy Steffen,  
 Tom Duncan, Greg Krug, & Matt Hauser

### Acolyte

Zachary McCollough