The Word of God

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Let us quiet our hearts and minds as we prepare for worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Please stand, as able, at the sound of the chimes.

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

HYMNAL #291 We Plow the Fields and Scatter WIR PFLUGEN

COLLECT FOR PURITY
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People Amen.

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Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

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For the Beauty of the Earth
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Sicut Cervus: Risen Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

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READER
Risen Christ,
People You are with us; we are one.

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(Collect for St. John’s)

Please stand, if able.

THE PEACE

1. Lord, God, here is my prayer.
2. Lord, God, hear my prayer.
3. Lord Jesus Christ, praise you for your glory.

May the Lord be with you.

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Palestrina
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PRESENTATION
Sung by all, standing if able
LAST UNS ERREUEN
Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him, all creatures here below, Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,

Lord be with you.

Let us pray.

And also with you.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

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People
And also with you.

Celebrant
Lift up your hearts.

People
We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant
God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People
Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant
At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People
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Celebrant
In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

A Reading

In thanksgiving for the lives of Forest Jerome Clark and Lawrence Ward.

Celebrant
We celebrate his death and resurrection, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People
We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in those holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Please stand as able for the closing hymn.

HYMNAL #400 All Creatures of Our God and King

(stanzas 1, 4, 5, and 7 only)

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Deacon
Our worship here is ended; now let our service begin.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

VOLUNTARY

Fantasy on ‘Lasst uns erfreuen’

Jayson R. Engquist

You are invited to listen to the voluntary in the choir stalls.

ALTAR FLOWERS

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ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

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The Reverend Kate Bradmiller

Deacon
The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson

Altar Guild
Diane Power, Paige Hagstrom, Sue MacIntosh, Chris Matter, Ginny Schauss, Sarah K. Smith, Lindsey Williams

Violinist
Archie Brown, Artaria String School student

Adult Choir
Jayson R. Engquist, Director of Music & Organist

Youth Choir
Heather Hunt, Director

Giver Play Participants
Jean Hansen, Children, Youth, & Family Director

Acolytes
Matt Brooks, Will Rinkoff, Alisa Schmid, Elliott Wall

Readers
Keith Davis, Joan Potter

Verger
Eli Weinkauf

Ushers
Cammie Beattie, Patty Byrne Pfluz, Barbara Lindeke, Shirley Sailors

Greeters
Jeff & Peggy Olsen, Colleen Swope

Coffee Hour
Paige & Gary Hagstrom, Don Poteema

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