The Second Week of Easter
April 22, 2009
3:00 p.m.

Concordia Seminary
St. Louis, Missouri
In Nomine Jesu

THE PRELUDE

As the hymn is introduced, please stand and face the processional cross, turning as it passes you.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain (LSB 487)

1 Come, you faith-ful, raise the strain Of tri-um-phant glad-ness!
2 'Tis the spring of souls to-day: Christ has burst His pris-on
3 Now the queen of sea-sons, bright With the day of splen-dor,
4 For to-day a-mong His own Christ ap-peared, be-stow-ing
5 Al-le-lu-ia! Now we cry To our King im-mor-tal,

God has brought His Is-ra-el In-to joy from sad-ness,
And from three days' sleep in death As a sun has ris-en;
With the roy-al feast of feasts Comes its joy to ren-der;
His deep peace, which ev-er-more Pass-es hu-man know-ing.
Who, tri-um-phant, burst the bars Of the tomb's dark por-tal.

Loosed from Pha-raoh's bit-ter yoke Ja-cob's sons and daugh-ters,
All the win-ter of our sins, Long and dark, is fly-ing
Comes to glad-den faith-ful hearts Which with true af-fec-tion
Nei-ther could the gates of death Nor the tomb's dark por-tal
Come, you faith-ful, raise the strain Of tri-um-phant glad-ness!

Led them with un-moist-en-ed foot Through the Red Sea wa-ters,
From His light, to whom is giv'n Laud and praise un-dy-ing.
Wel-come in un-wea-ried strain Je-sus' res-ur-rec-tion!
Nor the watch-ers nor the seal Hold Him as a mor-tal.
God has brought His Is-ra-el In-to joy from sad-ness!

THE VERSICLES (spoken)

Leader: O Lord, open my lips,
Congregation: And my mouth will declare Your praise.

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia!
Sit

THE PSALM MOTET

This Is the Day (Psalm 118)  JACOB GALLUS (HANDL), 1550–91

This is the day the Lord hath made. O rejoice, be glad in it. Alleluia!

THE READING

1 John 1:1-2:2

L: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

THE OFFICE HYMN

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light  (LSB 411)
THE SERMON

THE GOSPEL CANTICLE – *Magnificat*

*Magnificat* HEALEY WILLAN

My soul magnifies the Lord; and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.  
For he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden  
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty has done to me great things and holy is his name.  
And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation.  
He has showed strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their  
hearts.  
He has put down the mighty from their seats and exalted them of low degree.  
He has filled the hungry with good things and the rich he has sent empty away.  
He has helped his servant Israel in remembrance of his mercy,  
As he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed forever.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE ASSIGNMENT OF VICARAGES AND DEACONESS INTERNSHIPS
THE PRAYERS

L: Lord, have mercy.
C: Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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.

L: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

L: O Lord God, merciful and gracious Father, we give thanks for these students who have been assigned vicarages and deaconess internships. By Your Holy Spirit grant them grace in their assignments and readiness, steadfastness, patience, understanding, a cheerful spirit, and great zeal in their service. Support and strengthen them that by Your Word Your Church may be built and increased; through Your Son, our great High Priest, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

Vicars and Interns: Merciful God, we humbly implore You to cast the bright beams of Your light upon Your Church that we, being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed apostles, may walk in the light of Your truth and at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C: Amen.

L: Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with Your most gracious favor, and further us with Your continual help that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in You we may glorify Your holy name and finally by Your mercy obtain eternal salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C: Amen.
THE BENEDICAMUS AND BLESSING

L: Let us bless the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: Amen.

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Turn and follow the cross as it leaves the sanctuary.

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

The Day of Resurrection (LSB 478)

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a -
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil That we may see a -
3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, Let earth its song be -
4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, All praise to God the

broad, The pass - o - ver of glad - ness, The pass - o - ver of right The Lord in rays e - ter - nal Of res - ur - rec - tion
gin, Let all the world keep tri - umph And all that is there - Son, All praise to God the Spir - it, E - ter - nal Three in

God. From death to life e - ter - nal, From sin's do - min -
light And, lis - t'en - ing to His ac - cents, May hear, so calm and in. Let all things, seen and un - seen, Their notes of glad - ness
One! Let all the ran - somed num - ber Fall down be - fore the

free, Our Christ has brought us o - ver With hymns of vic - to - ry.
plain, His own "All hail!" and, hear-ing, May raise the vic - tor strain.
blend; For Christ the Lord has ris - en, Our joy that has no end!
throne And hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry As - cribe to God a - lone!

Soli Deo Gloria
THE SERVANTS

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The Faculty, Council of Presidents, Board of Regents, Candidates, Vicars, Interns, spouses, relatives and friends are invited to a reception on the Chapel Plaza (Koburg Dining Hall, if rain) at 8:30 p.m.