Service of Praise with Assignment of Calls



The Fourth Week of Easter May 1, 2012 7:00 p.m.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

In Nomine Jesu

PRELUDE

Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herr Gott, Dietrich Buxtehude Komm, Heiliber Geist, Herr Gott, Heinrich Scheidemann

Bell Peal

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

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lift High the Cross (LSB 837)

- Refrain Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.
 - 1 Come, Christians follow where our Captain trod, Our King victorious, Christ the Son of God. (Refrain)
 - 2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign, The host of God in conquering ranks combine. (Refrain)
 - 3 All new-born soldiers of the Crucified Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died. (Refrain)
 - 4 This is the sign which Satan's legions fear And angels veil their faces to revere. (Refrain)
 - 5 (Choir only) Saved by this Cross whereon their Lord was slain, The sons of Adam their lost home regain. (Refrain)
 - 6 From north and south, from east and west they raise In growing unison their song of praise (Refrain)
 - 7 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee. (Refrain)
 - 8 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. (Refrain)
 - 9 (Choir only) From farthest regions let them homage bring, And on his Cross adore their Saviour King. (Refrain)
 - 10 Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease Beneath the shadow of its healing peace. (Refrain)
 - So shall our song of triumph ever be:Praise to the Crucified for victory! (Refrain)

THE INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the \blacksquare Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation: Amen.**

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

THE COLLECT FOR THE FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER

- L: Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

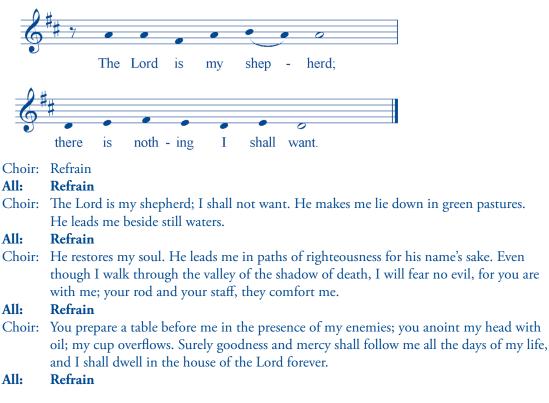
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THE PSALMODY

Psalm 23

Refrain: Columba Kelly; Psalm Setting: Stephen Rosebrock

Refrain



THE READING

Acts 4:1-12

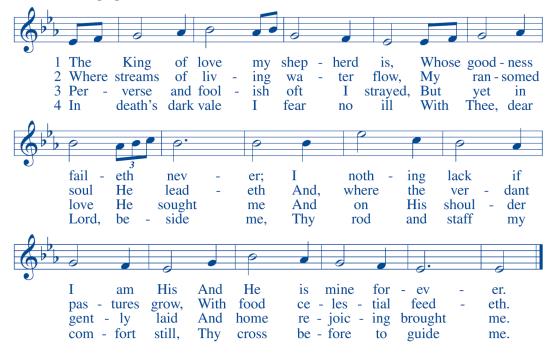
L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE HYMN

The King of Love My Shepherd Is (LSB 709)

Stanzas 1-5: Congregation in unison



5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!

Stand

THE READING John 10:11-18

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

Sit THE RESPONSE

Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord

Text: Psalm 100 Music: René Clausen

> Make a joyful noise to the Lord, Serve the Lord with gladness, Come into His presence with singing, Alleluia.

Know that the Lord is God, It is He who made us, Alleluia. Not we ourselves, alleluia. We are His people, the sheep of His pasture, alleluia. And we are His, alleluia.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, And His courts with praise, Give thanks to Him and praise His holy name. Alleluia.

For the Lord is good, His mercy endures forever, And His faithfulness endures, From generation to generation, From age to age.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, Serve the Lord with gladness, Come into His presence with singing, Alleluia, Amen.

THE SERMON

"A Beautiful Pastor" John 10:11–16

THE MOTET

Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott

Text: *Veni sancte Spiritus*, 11th century; German, 15th century Music: from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn;* Setting: Johann Walter

Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott, erfüll mit deiner Gnaden Gut deiner Gläubigen Herz, Mut und Sinn, dein brünstig Lieb entzünd in ihn'. O Herr, durch deines Lichtes Glast zu dem Glauben versammelt hast das Volk aus aller Welt Zungen; das sei dir, Herr, zu Lob gesungen. Halleluja, Halleluja.

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord, with all Your graces now outpoured on each believer's mind and heart; Your fervent love to them impart. Lord, by the brightness of Your light in holy faith Your Church unite; from every land and every tongue this to Your praise, O Lord, our God, be sung: Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE ASSIGNMENT OF CALLS

Stand **THE PRAYERS**

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Let us pray:
- L: O Heavenly Father, the Author of all wisdom, understanding, and true strength, we ask You to look mercifully upon Your servants and send Your Holy Spirit into their hearts, that when they must join to fight in the field for the glory of Your holy name, then they, being strengthened with the defense of Your right hand, may stand in the confession of Your faith and of Your truth, and continue in the same unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen.

Candidates: Almighty and gracious God, You have commanded us to pray that You would send forth laborers into your harvest; in Your mercy make us true servants of Your Word with Your saving Gospel in our hearts and on our lips that we may truly fulfill Your command and do those things which are well-pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

- C: Amen.
- L: O Lord, You have power over death and the grave and have shown us Your wonderful grace in rescuing us from sin. We thank You for the blessings in the past 173 years that You have bestowed on Concordia Seminary and we thank You for the work You have given us to do together in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. We ask You to give us grace to persevere in our present work so that Your honor and glory are magnified everywhere; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

THE OUR FATHER

L: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold 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.

THE BENEDICTION

- L: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us His children through the resurrection of His Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of His blessing; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the ♥ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever.
- C: Amen.

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

All the Earth with Joy is Sounding (LSB 462)

- All the earth with joy is sounding: Christ has risen from the dead! He, the greater Jonah, bounding From the grave, His three-day bed, Wins the prize: Death's demise— Songs of triumph fill the skies.
- Christ, the devil's might unwinding, Leaves behind His borrowed tomb.
 Stronger He, the strong man binding, Takes, disarms his house of doom; In the rout Casting out
 Pow'rs of darkness, sin, and doubt.
- Jesus, author of salvation, Shared in our humanity; Crowned with radiant exaltation, Now He shares His victory! From His face Shines the grace Meant for all our fallen race.
- 4 Praise the Lord, His reign commences, Reign of life and liberty—
 Paschal Lamb, for our offenses, Slain and raised to set us free!
 Evermore
 Bow before
 Christ, the Lord of Life adore!

THE POSTLUDE

Christ ist erstanden, Johann Sebastian Bach

Soli Deo Gloria

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The Board of Regents, faculty, relatives, and friends are invited to a reception on the Chapel Plaza (Koburg Dining Hall if rain) at 8:30 p.m.

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