# Service of Praise with Assignment of Calls



The Second Week of Easter April 29, 2014 7:00 p.m.

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# In Nomine Jesu

# **PRELUDE**

Festival Intrada Festive Trumpet Tune Joel Martinson David German

Light Everlasting

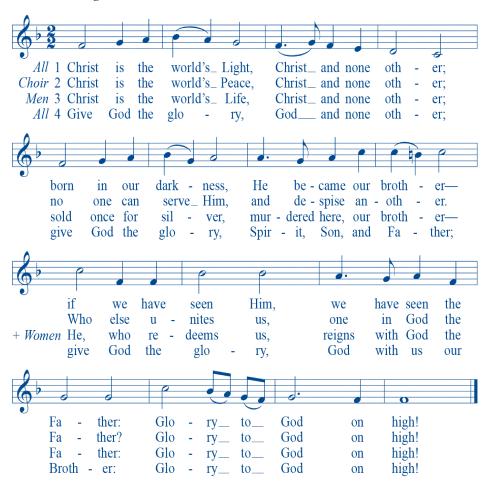
O.C. Christiansen

O Light everlasting, O Love never failing.
Illumine our darkness, and draw us to Thee;
May we from Thy spirit receive inspiration
That brethren together Thy wisdom may see.
O Light everlasting!
Make known to all nations!
Make known to all nations, Thy peace and salvation,
And help us, O Father, Thy temple to be.
O Light everlasting, O Love never failing,
Illumine our darkness, and draw us to Thee.

Bell Peal

# THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ Is the World's Light



# THE INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: Amen.

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

# THE COLLECT FOR THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER

- L: Let us pray... Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

#### THE PSALMODY

#### Psalm 46

Richard Leach Amanda Husberg

Refrain:



#### Choir:

L: Our shelter, our courage, our God! So near and so ready to help! We go free from the grip of fear even if our world gives way: All the highest things thrown down with a whisper or a roar, Fallen mountains, rising seas, shaking, shaking ev'rywhere.

#### C: Refrain

L: The joy of the city of God! The waters that flow there are glad! The city God has made His home—it will not be overthrown. If there is a night of threat, God will set things right at dawn. Nations rage; the voice of God melts the earth beneath their feet.

#### C: Refrain

L: Oh, see what God does to the world! So much human effort is waste, For God stamps out the wars we make; costly weapons break and burn. Shattered scrap and smoking heap—all there is when God is done. God says this to all the world: "Now be still. Learn who I am!"

# C: Refrain

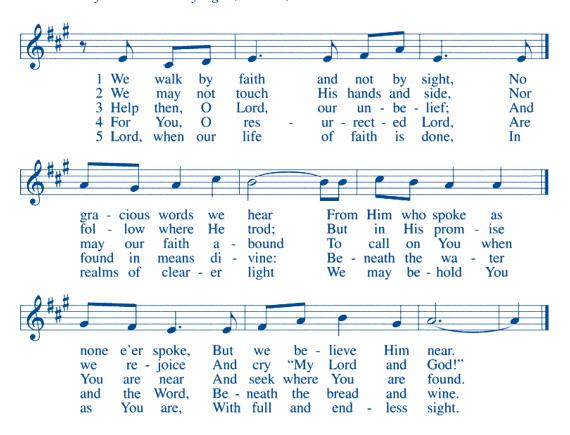
# THE READING

#### Acts 5:29-42

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

# THE HYMN

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight (LSB 720)



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# THE READING John 20:19-31

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

# **THE SERMON**

# THE CANTICLE

Gospel Magnificat Patti Drennan

Oh, my soul magnifies the Lord.
Holy and Mighty Lord, and my spirit rejoices.
He has seen in me a humble servant.
Now generations will call me blessed,
For God has done great things for me, and holy is His name.
He gave food to the hungry with food to eat and banished all the rich away.
The promise of His mercy fills me with joy today!
Oh, my spirit rejoices, God, my Savior, glorify.
Savior be glorified.

# THE ASSIGNMENT OF CALLS

#### **COVENANT OF CANDIDATES FOR MINISTRY**

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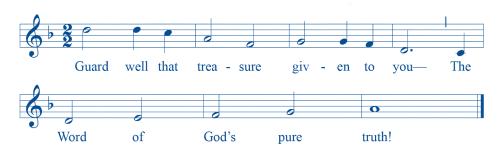
#### THE RESPONSE

Continue in the Things That You Have Learned 2 Timothy 1:6–12, 14; 3:14–15

Metrical paraphrase by Stephen P. Starke

HAEDGE Barry L. Bobb

(The assembly joins the choir on each refrain.)



L: Continue in the things that you have learned, Convinced by those who taught the sacred text; The Holy Scriptures you have known since youth, Have brought you saving faith in Jesus Christ.

#### C: Refrain

L: Fan into flame the Spirit's gift from God,
Bestowed on you through teaching pure and true.
Be bold, not timid—God will make you strong,
Self-disciplined, empow'red with holy love.

#### C: Refrain

L: Be not ashamed, proclaim the living Lord, And join with those who suffer for His sake; For God's great mercy saved you by His grace, His love in Christ before the world began.

#### C: Refrain

L: Christ Jesus has destroyed the reign of death,
Brought life and immortality to light;
Now trust that He in whom you have believed,
Will keep your faith secure until that day.

### C: Refrain

#### THE PRAYERS

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Let us pray...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 175 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 LORD'S PRAYER

- L: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven,

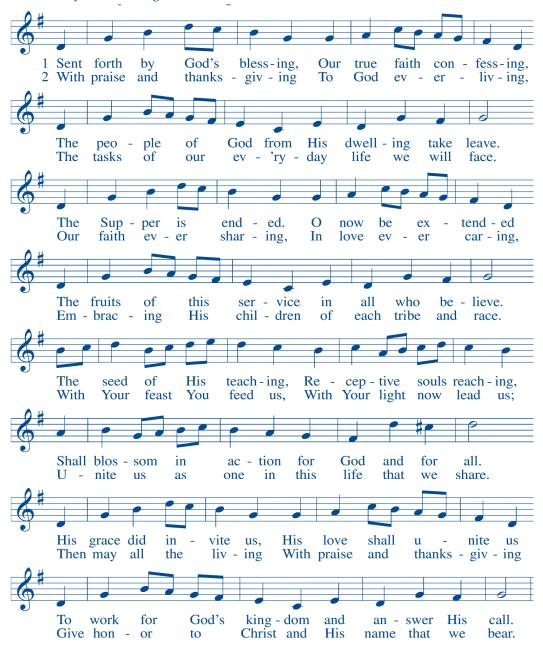
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

# THE BENEDICTION

- L: God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Almighty God, the Father, the \$\mathbb{H}\$ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and raise you to life, both now and forever.
- C: Amen.
- L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

#### THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

Sent Forth by God's Blessing (LSB 643)



# THE POSTLUDE

Soli Deo Gloria

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

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