# **Service of Holy Communion**



The Third Week of Easter We Love the Sem Event Week

11 April 2018

## Chapel of St. Timothy & St. Titus | Concordia Seminary

#### **LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK**

Divine Service Setting 2, pp. 167-83

**Pre-Service Music** 

-Please stand as able-

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

Hymn of Praise: This is the Feast pp. 171-2

Salutation and Prayer of the Day p. 156

-SitFirst Reading 1 John 3:1-7

Gospel Acclamation LSB 460 and 459, sts. 1-2

The stanzas of #459 are sung by the assembly as indicated at #460, following each section of the chant.

Gospel Reading Luke 24:36-49

Gospel Acclamation LSB 460 and 459, st. 3

Homily Luke 24

Hymn of the Day LSB 464

Prayers of the Church p. 175

Offertory p. 176

Service of the Sacrament pp. 177-83

The Lord's Supper will be distributed at four stations, instead of the altar rails, two on each side of the chancel. Please proceed to either of the stations on your side as you approach the altar.

Communion Music LSB 461, sts. 1-2, 7-8

**LSB 638** 

Dismissal

Post-Communion Collect p. 183

Blessing p. 183

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

Post-Service Music

#### The Servants of the Word

**Presider: Professor Emeritus Bruce Hartung** 

**Preacher:** Rev. Greg Griffith

Assistants: Chaplain Paul Sieveking and Seminarian Brenden Harrell

**Cantor:** Seminarian Daniel Clemens **Organist:** Seminarian Christian Einertson

**Rev. Greg Griffith** is an alum of Concordia Irvine ('99) and Concordia Seminary St. Louis ('04). Originally from California, he now calls Michigan, home (Go Blue). The mitten state has become near and dear to him as God has continued to bless him with an amazing family (spouse Laurie, kids Macey-10, and Tessa-5), amazing ministry (Immanuel, Macomb), and awesome friends and co-workers in the Gospel. He finds delight in his day as he sees people come to a greater relationship with Jesus. He is reminded of the grace of God and hope for a better tomorrow in his daily life as he cheers on the Detroit Lions and Tigers! One of his greatest joys in ministry is the opportunity he has to encourage, cheer, and serve those around him and their God sized dreams to be who God has called them to be, His church on earth, doing anything short of sin to reach those who are yet to be saved.

We welcome Rev. Griffith as well as all the other pastors representing some of the largest congregations in the synod for the **"We Love the Sem" event** which they have organized for the seminary community. Thank you!!

#### **In Preparation for Communion**

To Our Guests:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated on our campus in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

-Kent J. Burreson, Dean of the Chapel

#### **Notes Regarding Communion**

- The campus Lord's Supper is sponsored and hosted by the Lutheran Church of St. Andrew and Pastor Mark Hricko of Silver Spring, Maryland.
- When receiving the cup to partake of Christ Jesus' blood, please place your hand on the cup in some way to assist the server in guiding it to your mouth. Depending upon how those distributing the cup are holding it, you can either take hold of the cup at the base on the bottom OR on the stem of the chalice OR at the bowl itself on the upper part. By doing so you will assist the server and help to prevent any unwelcome spillage.
- The Reliquary (unconsecrated, additional bread) will be distributed after the service in the narthex if there is sufficient quantity. You are invited to take a piece with you.
- If you would prefer not to drink wine directly from the chalice due to illness or other extenuating circumstances, you may intinct the bread by dipping it into the chalice.
- If you have a gluten allergy or any other special need, please contact Dean of the Chapel Kent Burreson.

### **Private Confession and Absolution**

Make an appointment with Chaplain Sieveking for confession at the altar or in his office.

#### **Prayer Requests**

- Persecuted Christians: Iraq; Syria; Tajikistan; Tanzania
- Partner Church Bodies: The Lutheran Church of Uruguay, led by President André Luiz Müller
- Synodical Leaders: Synodical Vice-President Nabil Nour
- Districts and District Presidents: Southeastern District led by President John Denninger
- Concordia Theological Seminary: President Larry Rast; Professors John Nordling and John Pless
- Concordia University System: Concordia University Texas led by President Donald Christian
- The Poor and Those Suffering from Natural and Man-Made Disasters: Texas, Louisiana, Florida, California, Puerto Rico, Mexico
- Those who are ill/undergoing surgery: Rev. Erich Kaelberer suffering from ALS; Carol Hoefer, wife of Dr. Herb Hoefer, Professor Emeritus at Concordia, Portland, undergoing chemotherapy treatments; JoAnn Zieroth, wife of Director of Vicarage Gary Zieroth at CTS, battling cancer; Pastor Andrew Johnson, recovering from surgery and undergoing chemotherapy; Gillian Bond's friend, Trevor, battling a very serious form of cancer; Roger Drinnon, father to graduate student Roger Drinnon, battling cancer; Seminarian Kevin Scott being treated for a cyst; Maureen Campise, member of the seminary staff, recovering from back surgery; Rev. Bill Wrede, recovering from broken ribs sustained in a fall
- Those Mourning: Rev. Dr. Jon Diefenthaler, seminary adjunct professor and retired President of the Southeastern District, and his family at the sudden death of his wife, Vivi

The Easter season, the Feast of Feasts, brings with it a number of liturgical practices enriching the church's life. The Paschal Candle, which is lit and positioned at the altar throughout Easter, reminding us that Jesus' Pascha is the very Light of our dark world. Easter is a season of joy and we rejoice that we have been set free from our bondage to sin. In that sense, the entire season is one great absolution spoken to us sinners. As a result, we will not employ the rite of general confession and absolution throughout Easter. You are encouraged to receive absolution from Chaplain Sieveking personally each week. Our rejoicing at Jesus' Passover from death to life is marked by repeated use of the word Alleluia in praise of God's mighty acts. And we break our Lenten fast from standing during the prayers and rejoice to stand in the presence of the Lord again.



Reflections on the Gospel, from Luke 24, from Ted and Rick (dark nose) by LCMS Pastor James Wetzstein (Agnus Day appears with the permission of www.agnusday.org).