

**Fifth Sunday of Easter
Amazing Grace Worship
May 2 – 10:45 a.m.**

Prelude

GATHERING

Announcements

Easter Proclamation:

PM: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Opening Hymn: “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (ELW 836)

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
well spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest.
Thou our Father, Crist our brother, all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

Greeting

Kyrie: “Kyrie” ELW 157

Canticle of Praise: “Now the Feast and Celebration” ELW 167

Gospel Acclamation:

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Repeat optional*

Gospel Reading: John 15:9-17

*Response before the reading: **Glory to you, O Lord.***

*Response after the reading: **Praise to you, O Christ.***

Children’s Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: “Let All Things Now Living” (ELW 881)

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to
God the creator triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us, who still guides us on to the end of our day.
God’s banners are o’er us, God’s light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, till shadows have vanished and
darkness is banished, as forward we travel from light into light.

God rules all the forces; the stars in their courses and
sun in its orbit obediently shine; the hills and the mountains,
the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise till all things now living
unite in thanksgiving: “To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!”

Apostles’ Creed: (ELW p. 104)

Prayers of Intercession: Hear us, O God. *Your mercy is great.*

Offering

Offering Prayer

Thanksgiving of Baptism

(After the prayer, all are invited to dip their fingers in water and make the sign of the cross on their own forehead whilst receiving the blessing.)

Lord's Prayer: (ELW p. 134)

SENDING

Easter Proclamation:

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: *He is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

Blessing

Dismissal:

L: We go out into the world

C: *sharing the love of God, spreading the Word of God, and serving the children of God.*

L: Christ is with us!

C: *Thanks be to God!*

Postlude