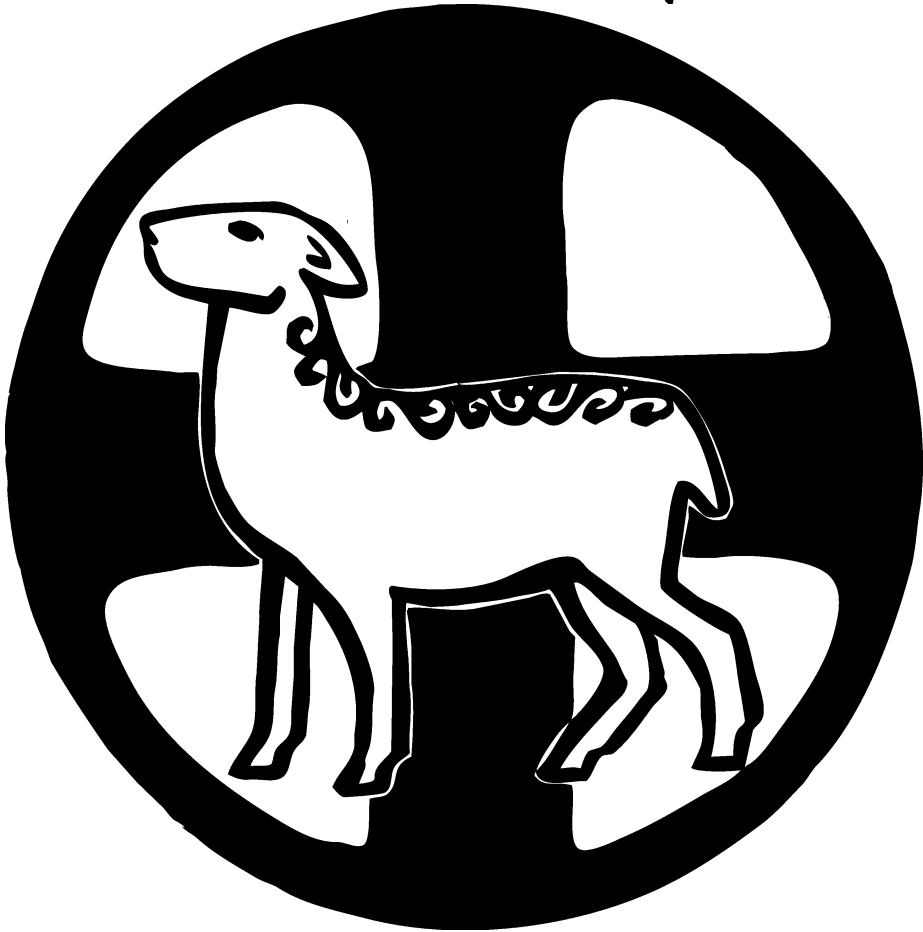


# *Easter Worship*



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*To all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church opens its arms and bids you **welcome!***

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## ***GATHERING***

### **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,  
by whose hand we are given new birth,  
by whose speaking we are given new life.

**Amen.**

Joined with Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are welcomed, restored, and supported  
as citizens of the new creation.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty,  
you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death

and raised us with Jesus, the first born of the dead.  
In baptismal waters our own life is washed away,  
and in them we are born anew.

*Water may be poured into the font as the minister continues.*

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams.  
Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,  
quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.  
Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,  
the outpouring of the spirit of the new creation.

**Wash away our sin and all that separates us  
from you.  
Empower our witness to your resurrection.  
Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

Satisfy the world's needs through this living water.  
Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.  
Where despair prevails, grant hope.  
Where chaos reigns, bring peace.  
We ask this through Christ,  
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.  
**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the  
peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace,  
and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

## **GATHERING SONG**

## **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*The assembly is seated.*

## **WORD**

**FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47**

**PSALM: 23**

**SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

**GOSPEL READING: John 10:1-10**

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

*Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord.*

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

*After the reading, please be seated.*

## **SERMON**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **OFFERING**

*At this time an offering is collected to support the ongoing ministries of the church.*

## **OFFERING HYMN:**

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Generous God,  
In this meal you offer your very self.  
We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.  
Empower us that we may go forth  
in service to the world;  
through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

# ***PRAYER***

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

# ***SENDING***

## **BLESSING**

The God of all,  
who raised ✝ Jesus from the dead,  
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to live in the new creation.  
**Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG**

## **DISMISSAL**

The worship has ended, let the service begin.

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## What Is This Place

1 What is this place where we are meet - ing? On - ly a house, the  
 2 Words from a - far, stars that are fall - ing, sparks that are sown in  
 3 And we ac - cept bread at this ta - ble, bro - ken and shared, a

earth its floor. Walls and a roof shel - ter - ing peo - ple,  
 us like seed: names for our God, dreams, signs and won - ders  
 liv - ing sign. Here in this world, dy - ing and liv - ing,

win - dows for light, an o - pen door. Yet it be - comes a bod - y that lives  
 sent from the past are all we need. We in this place re - mem - ber and speak  
 we are each oth - er's bread and wine. This is the place where we can re - ceive

when we are gath - ered here, and know our God is near,  
 a - gain what we have heard: God's free re - deem - ing word.  
 what we need to in - crease: our jus - tice and God's peace.

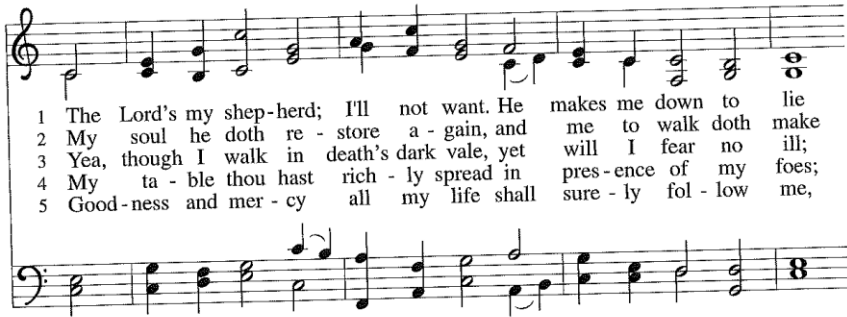
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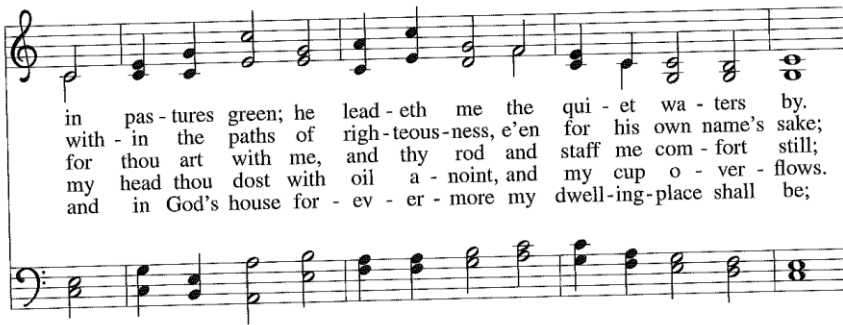
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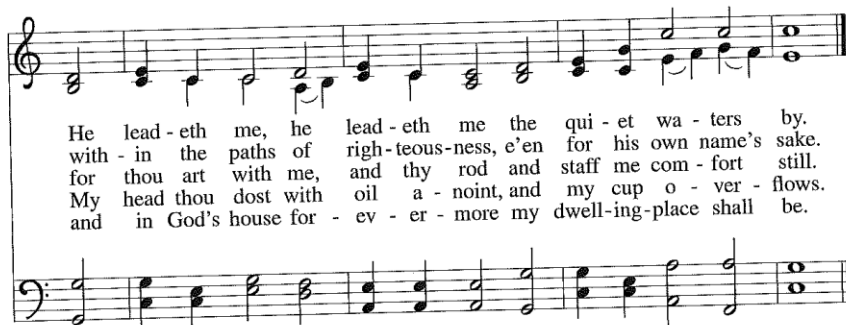
## The Lord's My Shepherd



1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie  
 2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain, and me to walk doth make  
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;  
 4 My ta - ble thou hast rich - ly spread in pres - ence of my foes;  
 5 Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall sure - ly fol - low me,



in pas - tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by;  
 with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake;  
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still;  
 my head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.  
 and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing - place shall be;



He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.  
 with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.  
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.  
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## Where Charity and Love Prevail

1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;  
 2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;  
 3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;  
 4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.  
 5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,

brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.  
 let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.  
 as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.  
 Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.  
 that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.

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