

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 11, 2025 10:00 AM

VISION STATEMENT

We seek to form Beloved Community, which is welcoming and diverse, with Christian worship and service at the heart.

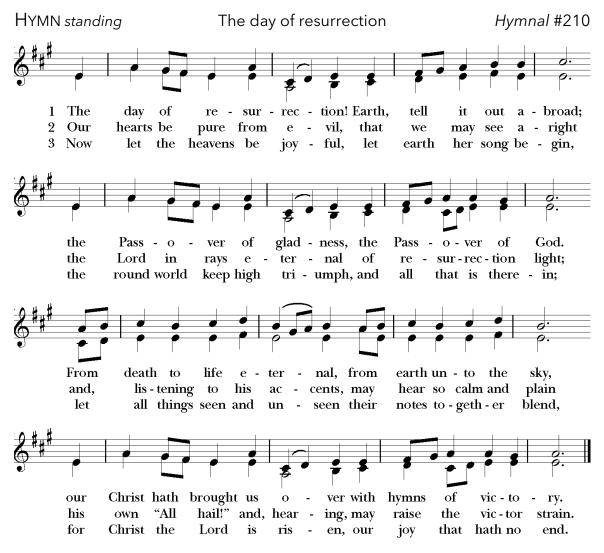
MISSION STATEMENT

We feed people in body, mind and spirit with the love of God, in the name of Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

CORE VALUES

Beloved Community + Loving Service + Sacred Space + Spirit Filled + Sustainability

THE GATHERING RITE



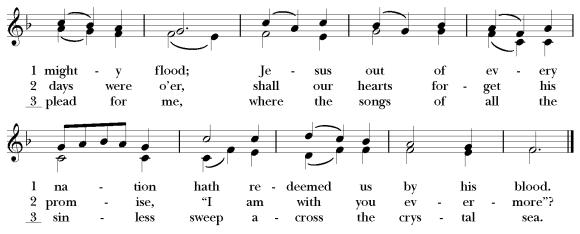
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ENTRANCE RITE

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider	Alleluia. Christ is risen!
People	The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Presider	God be with you.
All	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray. Christ our true and only Light: receive our morning prayers, and illumine the secrets of our hearts with your healing goodness, that no evil desires may possess us who are made
	new in light of your heavenly grace. Amen .

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

And also with you.

People Presider

Let us pray. O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

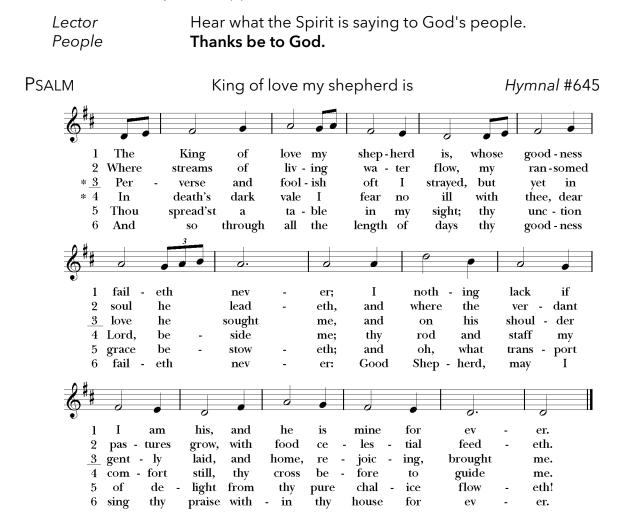
THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON seated

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up."

Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.



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THE SECOND LESSON seated

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Lector	Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People	Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Hallelujah

ELW #171

Hallelujah, hallelujah; halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah, hallelujah; halle, hallelujah.

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PresiderThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Presider	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Vince Booth

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The intercessor offers the petitions and all respond, Hear our Prayer.

PRESENTATION OF A PRAYER BOOK

All those on the Spiritual Pilgrimage are invited to come forward.

THE PEACE standing

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The People offer a greeting of peace to one another.

Kids' Word

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND SPECIAL PRAYERS

Look who gathers



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Doxology Hymn

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

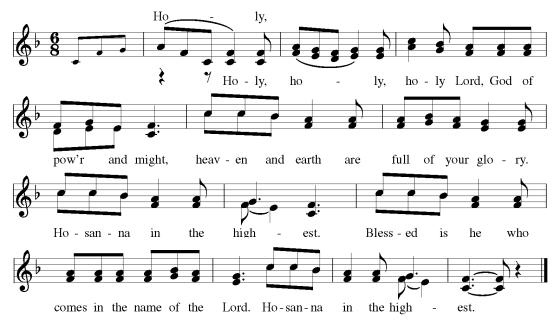
THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider Christ is risen!
People He is risen indeed.
Presider Lift your hearts to heaven
People where Christ in glory reigns.
Presider Let us give thanks to God.
People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

The prayer continues until

Therefore, with all your witnesses who surround us on every side, countless as heaven's stars, we praise you for our creation and our calling, with loving and with joyful hearts:



The prayer continues until

Presider Therefore with this bread and wine we recall your goodness to us.

- God of the past and present, we your people remember your Son.
 We thank you for his cross and rising again,
 we take courage from his ascension;
 we look for his coming in glory
 and in him we give ourselves to you.
- *Presider* Send your Holy Spirit, that we who receive Christ's body may indeed be the body of Christ, and we who share his cup draw strength from the one true vine.
- All Called to follow Christ, help us to reconcile and unite. Called to suffer, give us hope in our calling.
- *Presider* For you, the heavenly one, make all things new; you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first.
- All Praise, glory and love be yours, this and every day, from us and all people, here and everywhere. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As Christ teaches us we now pray,

All 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence may be observed.

Presider	Christ's body was broken for us on the cross.
People	Christ is the bread of life.
Presider	His blood was shed for our forgiveness.
People	Christ is risen from the dead.

PRAYER FOR THOSE WORSHIPING AT HOME

O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

THE INVITATION AND COMMUNION

Presider Come God's people, come to receive Christ's heavenly food.

All are welcome to the meal where Christ is present in bread and wine. The ushers will guide you to form a line up the center aisle. You may choose to receive a sealed packet containing both consecrated wine and wafer, or you may take a piece of bread and receive the common cup. Gluten free options are available.

THE CONCLUDING RITE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION standing

Presider	Blessed be God who calls us together.
People	Praise to God who makes us one people.
Presider	Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.
People	Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.
Presider	Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.
People	Praise to God who is revealed as love.
Presider	Blessed be God who alone has called us.
People	Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.
	Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.
Presider	Amen. Accept our thanks for all you have done.
All	Our hands were empty, and you filled them.

THE BLESSING

The Presider blesses the People.

CLOSING HYMN standing Savior, like a shepherd lead us Hymnal #708



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DISMISSAL

The Presider dismisses the People, who respond Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Work Party May 17 with our Groundskeeper, Jack!

Our groundskeeper, Jack, is organizing a volunteer day on Saturday, May 17th, from 9 am - 1 pm to get a handle on some of the tougher gardening beds. Additionally, there are some very full storage rooms and a paint shed that need emptying. These tasks will be smoother, more fun, and much quicker with your help! Please bring any or all of the following: comfortable shoes, sturdy gloves, sunhat, raincoat, clothes to get dirty, and a water bottle. If you have a vehicle that could take items to the dump, that would be much appreciated! Contact Jack with any questions: jack@stlukesseattle.org or text/call 610-662-9166.

Convene Saturday, May 31, 8:30 am - 4 pm

Connect, Learn and Convene with other churches for a day of workshops and fellowship at Everett Community College. There will be worship, exhibitors, lunch, four workshop sessions and a plenary from the Bishop. We are blessed to have an abundance of wisdom and gifts in our congregations! Convene 2025 is designed with everyone in mind: vestries, bishop's committees, staff, clergy, members of convention, administrators, and anyone who wants to connect with others over ways to strengthen our congregations. All are invited free of charge! Reserve your spot now on the Convene 2025 Website. Childcare and lunch provided. Bring a team if you can!

Sign up to Volunteer at the Ballard SeafoodFest!

Ballard Alliance is recruiting volunteers for the 2025 Ballard SeafoodFest happening July 11th-13th. There are many available positions that can suit your preferences. This festival is not possible without the help of so many dedicated volunteers. All proceeds of the event go back into the neighborhood through Ballard Alliance Programs. All volunteers receive a free Salmon BBQ meal and the unwavering appreciation from the Ballard community. Sign up at www.seafoodfest.org/volunteer.



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