



# SERVICE OF PRAISE WITH ASSIGNMENT OF CALLS

THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER  
APRIL 26, 2017  
7 p.m.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY, ST. LOUIS

*In Nomine Jesu*

## **THE PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

*Bell Peal*

*As the hymn is introduced, please stand and face  
the processional cross, turning as it passes you.*

# THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*Awake, My Heart, with Gladness (LSB 467)*

*(Verses 3 and 6 will be sung by the choir. Verse 5 will be the organ only.)*



1 A - wake, my heart, with glad - ness, See what to - day is done;  
2 The foe in tri - umph shout - ed When Christ lay in the tomb;  
3 This is a sight that glad - dens—What peace it doth im - part!  
4 Now hell, its prince, the dev - il, Of all their pow'r are shorn;



Now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, Comes forth the glo - rious sun.  
But lo, he now is rout - ed, His boast is turned to gloom.  
Now noth - ing ev - er sad - dens The joy with - in my heart.  
Now I am safe from e - vil, And sin I laugh to scorn.



My Sav - ior there was laid Where our bed must be made  
For Christ a - gain is free; In glo - rious vic - to - ry  
No gloom shall ev - er shake, No foe shall ev - er take  
Grim death with all its might Can - not my soul af - fright;



When to the realms of light Our spir - it wings its flight.  
He who is strong to save Has tri - umphed o'er the grave.  
The hope which God's own Son In love for me has won.  
It is a pow'r - less form, How - e'er it rave and storm.

- 5 The world against me rages,  
Its fury I disdain;  
Though bitter war it wages,  
Its work is all in vain.  
My heart from care is free,  
No trouble troubles me.  
Misfortune now is play,  
And night is bright as day.
- 6 Now I will cling forever  
To Christ, my Savior true;  
My Lord will leave me never,  
Whate'er He passes through.  
He rends death's iron chain;  
He breaks through sin and pain;  
He shatters hell's grim thrall;  
I follow Him through all.
- 7 He brings me to the portal  
That leads to bliss untold,  
Whereon this rhyme immortal  
Is found in script of gold:  
"Who there My cross has shared  
Finds here a crown prepared;  
Who there with Me has died  
Shall here be glorified."

## THE INVOCATION

Liturgist: 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: 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.**

*Sit*

## THE PSALMODY

*Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices (LSB 811)*

*Psalm 148*



1 Oh, that I had a thou - sand voic - es To praise my  
2 O all you pow'rs that He im - plant - ed, A - rise, keep  
3 You for - est leaves so green and ten - der That dance for  
4 All crea - tures that have breath and mo - tion, That through the



God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord re -  
si - lence now no more; Put forth the strength that God has  
joy in sum - mer air, You mead - ow grass - es, bright and  
earth, the sea, the sky, Come, share with me my heart's de -



joic - es, Would then pro - claim in grate - ful songs To all, wher -  
grant - ed! Your no - blest work is to a - dore. O soul and  
slen - der, You flow'rs so fra - grant and so fair, You live to  
vo - tion, Help me to sing God's prais - es high. My ut - most



ev - er I might be, What great things God has done for me.  
bod - y, join to raise With heart - felt joy our Mak - er's praise.  
show God's praise a - lone. Join me to make His glo - ry known.  
pow'rs can nev - er quite De - clare the won - ders of His might.

- 5 Creator, humbly I implore You  
To listen to my earthly song  
Until that day when I adore You,  
Together with the angel throng  
And learn with choirs of heav'n to sing  
Eternal anthems to my King.

## THE READING

*Acts 5:29-42*

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## CHORAL ANTHEM

*Precious Lord*

Precious Lord, take my hand,  
Lead me on, let me stand;  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
Through the storm, through the night,  
Lead me on to the light.  
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

When my way grows drear,  
Precious Lord, linger near,  
When my life is almost gone,  
Hear my cry, hear my call;  
Hold my hand lest I fall.  
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

When the darkness appears  
And the night draws near  
And the day is almost gone,  
At the river I stand;  
Guide my feet, hold my hand,  
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

*Stand*

## THE READING

*John 20:19-31*

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*Sit*

## THE SERMON

*Peace Be With You*

*Stand*

## THE HYMN

*Facing a Task Unfinished (Tune: Aurelia LSB 644)*

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| 1 | Facing a task unfinished<br>That drives us to our knees<br>A need that, undiminished<br>Rebukes our slothful ease<br>We, who rejoice to know Thee<br>Renew before Thy throne<br>The solemn pledge we owe Thee<br>To go and make Thee known        | 3 | We bear the torch that flaming<br>Fell from the hands of those<br>Who gave their lives proclaiming<br>That Jesus died and rose<br>Ours is the same commission<br>The same glad message ours<br>Fired by the same ambition<br>To Thee we yield our powers |
| 2 | Where other lords beside Thee<br>Hold their unhindered sway<br>Where forces that defied Thee<br>Defy Thee still today<br>With none to heed their crying<br>For life, and love, and light<br>Unnumbered souls are dying<br>And pass into the night | 4 | O Father who sustained them<br>O Spirit who inspired<br>Saviour, whose love constrained them<br>To toil with zeal untired<br>From cowardice defend us<br>From lethargy awake!<br>Forth on Thine errands send us<br>To labour for Thy sake                |

*Sit*

## THE ASSIGNMENT OF CALLS

### THE RESPONSE

*True Light / Keith Hampton*

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Almighty God is light. He lives in us as True Light. In the beginning out of the darkness God created True Light. Don't let the light that You've given me die, And don't desert my mind. But let the one who serves You praise You again and again. He lives in us as True Light. You are the one who judges right from wrong. Your glory excites no envy. But let the one who serves You praise You again and again. He lives in us as True Light. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I want the world to know, God gave the world True Light.

*Stand*

## 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 178 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 PRAYERS

L: Lord, have mercy.

C: Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

L: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

### *Our Father Who Art in Heaven (LSB 958/959)*

*The refrain, in Spanish, will be sung first.*



1 May Thy king - dom come to us, O  
 2 Give us this day, O Lord, our dai - ly  
 3 Lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,



Lord; May Thy ho - ly will be done, O Lord; As in  
 bread; Lord, for - give our tres - pass - es, we pray, As  
 Lord, Lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, Lord, But de -



*Refrain*

heav - en so on earth may Thy ho - ly will be done, O Lord.  
 we for - give all those who tres - pass a - gainst us, Lord.  
 liv - er us from e - vil, Lord, de - liv - er us from e - vil.



Pa - dre nues - tro \_\_\_\_\_ que es - tás en el



cie - lo, \_\_\_\_\_ san - ti - fi - ca - do,



san - ti - fi - ca - do se - a tu nom - bre.

## CHORAL BLESSING

*Nunc Dimittis*  
*Setting by René Clausen*

## THE BENEDICTION

L: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy in believing. Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

*Clad in Righteousness in Heaven / Arrangement by James Marriott*

1. Clad in right - eous - ness in heav - en, God the Son in glo - ry reigns.  
 2. Wrapped in swad - dling cloths, our Sav - ior Rests His head on man - ger hay.  
 3. Stripped of hon - or, Je - sus suf - fers, Hang - ing on a cross of shame.  
 4. Bound in lin - ens to be bur - ied, He is car - ried to the tomb.  
 5. Clothed in glo - ry, Christ is vic - tor! He is ris - en from the grave.

3  
 Ma - jes - ty sur - rounds His pre - sence As the an - gels sing re - frains.  
 Hum - ble she - herds come in won - der, Wit - ness where their Shep - herd lay.  
 King of kings, His head bows un - der, Sign - age that should bear our name.  
 Lamb of sac - ri - fice here off - ered Rests in - side an earth - en womb.  
 His do - min - ion is for - ev - er Sin no long - er can en - slave.

5  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it - Tri - une God all pow'r re - tains.  
 Christ puts on our mor - tal bod - y; He, the Pot - ter dons our clay.  
 As His flesh en - dures our sen - tence, God as - signs to Him our blame.  
 Our de - ser - ved con - dem - na - tion Ho - ly Je - sus to as - sume.  
 He has passed through heav - en's por - tal, Our new life the way to pave.

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## THE POST-SERVICE MUSIC

*Soli Deo Gloria*

## THE SERVANTS OF THE WORD

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

The streamers, if used in the service, add elements of movement and color. They are celebratory in nature, accenting the celebration of Christ Jesus the Lord's resurrection and the certification of men and women for service in the church.

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