

Worship Leader Edition
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Elijah the Prophet is Faithful

April 30, 2023

10:00 AM

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME *by Jubilee (Invite people to download bulletin from the website – stlukesbloomington.org)*

+OPENING SONG

“Hosanna”

B. Brown & P. Baloche

Verse 1

Praise is rising
Eyes are turning to You
We turn to You
Hope is stirring
Hearts are yearning for You
We long for You

We turn to You
In Your Kingdom
Broken lives are made new
You make us new

Pre-Chorus

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‘Cause when we see You
We find strength to face the day
In Your presence
All our fears are washed away

Chorus

Bridge

‘Cause when we see You
We find strength to face the day
In Your presence
All our fears are washed away

Chorus

Hosanna Hosanna
You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises
Hosanna Hosanna
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here Lord Jesus

‘Cause when we see You
We find strength to face the day
In Your presence
All our fears are washed away
(Washed Away)

Chorus x2

Ending

Hosanna Hosanna
Hosanna Hosanna

Verse 2

Hear the sound of
Hearts returning to You

+PRAYER OF THE DAY *{Front Center} (Allie Erickson)*

L: O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

+SHARING OF THE PEACE *{Front Center} (Allie Erickson)*

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome everyone with a wave of peace. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat. Most of all as we go out into the world may we greet others as people of peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *{Front Center} (Rob)*

WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Baptized: Nora Jo Hermann
Parents: Andrew & Olivia Hermann
Sponsors: Josh & Laura Schroeder

+THE APOSTLES' CREED

L: Do you believe in God, the Father?

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

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

BAPTISMAL WELCOME

C: We welcome Nora Jo Herman into the body of Christ. Amen!

(music played while child walks down the aisle)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *{On Floor Pulpit Side}* (Emily)

FIRST READING *{Lectern}* (Donna Tabat)

1 Kings 18:1-10, 17-19

After many days the word of the LORD came to Elijah, in the third year of the drought, saying, "Go, present yourself to Ahab; I will send rain on the earth." So Elijah went to present himself to Ahab. The famine was severe in Samaria. Ahab summoned Obadiah, who was in charge of the palace. (Now Obadiah revered the LORD greatly; when Jezebel was killing off the prophets of the LORD, Obadiah took a hundred prophets, hid them fifty to a cave, and provided them with bread and water.) Then Ahab said to Obadiah, "Go through the land to all the springs of water and to all the wadis; perhaps we may find grass to keep the horses and mules alive, and not lose some of the animals." So they divided the land between them to pass through it; Ahab went in one direction by himself, and Obadiah went in another direction by himself. As Obadiah was on the way, Elijah met him; Obadiah recognized him, fell on his face, and said, "Is it you, my lord Elijah?" He answered him, "It is I. Go, tell your lord that Elijah is here." And he said, "How have I sinned, that you would hand your servant over to Ahab, to kill me? As the LORD your God lives, there is no nation or kingdom to which my lord has not sent to seek you; and when they would say, 'He is not here,' he would require an oath of the kingdom or nation, that they had not found you.

When Ahab saw Elijah, Ahab said to him, "Is it you, you troubler of Israel?" He "*Elijah*" answered, "I have not troubled Israel; but you have, and your father's house, because you have forsaken the commandments of the LORD and followed the Baals. Now therefore have all Israel assemble for me at Mount Carmel, with the four hundred fifty prophets of Baal and the four hundred prophets of Asherah, who eat at Jezebel's table."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

+THE HOLY GOSPEL *{Pulpit}* (Rob)

Mark 7:6-9

He "*Jesus*" said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition!"

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE *{Center Floor}*

Rob

Verse 1

Our God will reign forever
And all the world will know His name
Ev'ryone together
Sing the song of the redeemed

Chorus

I know that my Redeemer lives
And now I stand on what He did
My Savior my Savior lives

Ev'ry day a brand new chance to say
Jesus You are the only way
My Savior my Savior lives

+THE PRAYERS *{Front Center}* (Allie Erickson)

After each petition:

L: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

+THE LORD’S PRAYER (Allie Erickson)

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come: your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE (Allie Erickson) (You may be seated)

Screen

L: In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. For those on-line we invite you to email the office@stlukesbloomington.org. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back. For those online please go to our website there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Enjoy this time.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“No Longer Slaves”
Jubilee Praise Team

*J. Helser, D. Johnson, B. & C. Joel/
D. Galbraith & F. Ralls*

SENDING

COUNCIL INTRODUCTION

Kerry Kollodge, Faith Formation

+BENEDICTION (Rob)

L: The Lord of peace give you peace at all times and in all ways. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

+SENDING SONG

“He is Exalted”

Twila Paris/ Mark Cole

Verse 1

He is exalted
The King is exalted on high
I will praise Him

He is exalted forever exalted
And I will praise His name

Chorus

He is the Lord
Forever His truth shall reign
Heaven and earth
Rejoice in His holy name

Verse 2

The King has come from Heaven
And darkness trembles at His name
Victory forever
Is the song of the redeemed

Chorus

Bridge (three times)

My Savior lives
My Savior lives
My Savior lives

Chorus (two times)

He is exalted

The King is exalted on high

Repeat Verse 1

Chorus (two times)

Ending

He is exalted
The King is exalted on high

He is exalted
The King is exalted on high

†DISMISSAL *{Front Center}* (Allie Erickson)

L: Go now in peace, for nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

REPRISE

***Altar Flowers Today Given by
Deanna O'Brien
In loving memory of husband,
Richard O'Brien***