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ASSIGNMENT OF VICARAGES, INTERNSHIP AND CALLS

THE THIRD WEEK OF EASTER
7 P.M. APRIL 28, 2020

THE PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

THE OPENING HYMN

*Awake, My Heart, with Gladness
(LSB 467, Stanzas 1-2, 5-7)*

The choir of voices will, in a virtual procession, build the first stanza of the hymn. The choir of voices will sing stanzas 2, 6-7. The online assembly is invited to sing along on those stanzas from the text displayed on the screen. Stanza 5 will be an organ solo.

THE INVOCATION AND THE VERSICLES

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!

L: O Lord, open my lips,
C: And my mouth will declare Your praise.

L: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
*C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.
Praise to you, O Christ. Alleluia!*

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT FOR THE THIRD WEEK OF EASTER

L: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray ... O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever;
C: Amen.

THE READING

1 Peter 1:17-25

L: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

THE CHORAL PRAYER

*Tu Pauperum Refugium
Josquin Des Pres*

THE READING

Luke 24:13-35

L: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

*“And By His Footsteps Led, My Path I Safely Tread”
(Luke 24:13-35)*

*“Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long”
(Psalm 25:4-5 ESV).*

THE ASSIGNMENT OF VICARAGES AND DEACONESS INTERNSHIP

THE PSALM ANTHEM

*Oh Sing to the Lord Psalm 98:1-4
David von Kampen*

THE ASSIGNMENT OF CALLS

THE GREETING FROM THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS CHAIRMAN DR. DAVID P.E. MAIER

THE GREETING FROM THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD PRESIDENT DR. MATTHEW C. HARRISON

THE CHORAL BLESSING

*E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come
Paul Manz*

THE PRAYERS

L: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray: O Lord God, merciful and gracious Father, we give thanks for these students who have been assigned vicarages and a deaconess internship. By Your Holy Spirit grant them grace in their assignments and readiness, steadfastness, patience, understanding, a cheerful spirit and great zeal in their service. Support and strengthen them that by Your Word Your church may be built and increased; through Your Son, our great High Priest, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

L: O Heavenly Father, the Author of all wisdom, understanding and true strength, we ask You to look mercifully upon Your servants who have received assignment to their calls. 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.

L: Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with Your most gracious favor, and further us with Your continual help that in all our works begun, continued and ended in You we may glorify Your holy name and finally by Your mercy obtain eternal salvation, 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 181 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 LORD'S PRAYER

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

THE BENEDICTION

L: May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope and turn your mourning into dancing. 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 SENDING HYMN

*Te Deum: We Praise You and Acknowledge You,
O God (LSB 941)*

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Soli Deo Gloria