



Risen Christ Lutheran Church  
Sunday Worship

May 15, 2022 9:30am

Behold, I  
am making  
all things  
new.

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**ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION** – (2nd & 4th Sundays) We believe: that Christ’s body and blood are truly present for forgiveness and spiritual strength, that God desires our sincere confession, continuous seeking and giving forgiveness and, that being genuine in taking Communion so that we not harm ourselves by taking it in an unworthy manner. If you believe the above, are a baptized believer who trusts in the death and resurrection of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, and have examined yourself, you are welcome to commune with us. Please talk to Pastor if you have any questions. The bread is offered before the “individual” and “common” cups of wine. (Note: White Non-Alcoholic Wine is in the center of the tray.)

**OFFERING** – Through the offerings of His faithful people, our Lord provides for the ongoing work of His Church. If you are a visitor, we are glad that you came to be served by the Lord this day. If you choose to contribute to the ongoing work of the Gospel, we give thanks that God has moved you to contribute toward the work of sharing the Gospel here in Plymouth and around the world! You can also take advantage of Online Giving by visiting [www.RisenChrist.info](http://www.RisenChrist.info)

**A WORD TO OUR GUESTS** – Welcome and thank you for coming. Please complete a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate. Pastor will send you a welcome card. Please indicate that you “desire” a call for any further contact.

**Large Print Bulletins** – Available from an usher.

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**Parent Room** – A row of seating and plenty of area for standing or walking is available in the Welcome Area/Lobby (“Narthex”)

**For Children** – Children’s Book Cart for Worship: Available in the Welcome Area.

**As We Gather** – Sometimes Jesus’ words sound like a riddle. “A little while, and you will see Me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see Me” (*John 16:16*). What do You mean, Lord? Like the disciples, we do not know what You are talking about. Taken away momentarily by death and now ascended into heaven, Jesus allows us to experience His presence among us through Word and Sacrament as we await the fullness of joy that will come in His presence in the new heavens and new earth. On that day, the dwelling of God is with people; and we will be His people and He will be our God.

## Welcome

### Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### Opening Sentences

*Psalm 148:1–3, 13*

**P** Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens;

**C** **praise Him in the heights!**

**P** Praise Him, all His angels;

**C** **praise Him, all His hosts!**

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**P** Praise Him, sun and moon,

**C** **praise Him, all you shining stars!**

**P** Let them praise the name of the Lord,

**C** **for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven.**

### Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,  
2 Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,



Who wondrous things has done, In whom His world rejoices;  
With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us  
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven,



Who from our mothers' arms Has blest us on our way  
And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed  
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore;



With countless gifts of love And still is ours to-day.  
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be ever more.

### Confession and Absolution

**P** Almighty God,

**C** **We confess before You our sinful nature and sinful deeds. We do not like to wait for anything! As sinners we want and labor for things that perish, forgetting to set our affections on You and Your kingdom where true joys are found. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, and fill us with the Spirit of truth that our sorrow may turn to joy.**

**P** The dwelling of God is with people. Beloved, Jesus is in our midst. He is and ever shall be. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Jesus and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

***CHORUS: Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul  
Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before, O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name***

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes ***CHORUS***

2. You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find ***CHORUS***

3. And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore ***CHORUS***

Jesus, I'll worship Your holy name  
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name  
Jesus, I'll worship Your holy name  
I'll worship Your holy name

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### Introit

*Ps. 98:2–6; antiphon: Ps. 98:1*

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

**His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.**

The LORD has made known his salvation;

**he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

**break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,

**with the lyre and the sound of melody!**

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

**make a joyful noise before the King, the 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.**

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

**His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.**

**AMAZING GRACE** (*In Mandarin Chinese, German and English*)

奇异恩典，何等甘甜，我罪已得赦免；

qi yi en dian , he deng gan tian , wo zui yi de she mian

前我丧失，今被寻回，瞎眼今得看见！

qian wo shi sang , jin bei xun hui , xia yan jin de kan jian

Oh Gnade Gottes, wunderbar  
hast du errettet mich.

Ich war verloren ganz und gar,  
war blind, jetzt sehe ich.

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

✠ Holy Baptism of Salomo Levin Schwarz ✠

Born January 18, 2021

Son of Qi Qian and Wenzel Andreas Schwarz

**Sponsors:** Madeleine and Wieland Schwarz (*present*)

Till & Hanna Schwarz (*in Germany*)

*Stand*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

*The pastor addresses the candidate:*

**P** How is your son named?     **R** **Salomo Levin Schwarz**

*The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of the candidate while saying:*

## **Sign of the Cross**

**P** Salomo Levin Schwarz, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your ✠ forehead and upon your ✠ heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold Salomo according to Your boundless mercy and bless him with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in him, which has been inherited from Adam and which he himself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that he be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, he would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** From ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates and catechumens. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church sponsors are to confess the faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are, whenever possible, to witness the Baptism of those they sponsor. They are to pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them toward the faithful reception of the Lord's Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor.

**P** Is it your intention to serve Salomo as sponsors in the Christian faith?

**R** **Yes, with the help of God.**

**P** God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*The pastor places his hands on the head of the candidate.*

## Lord's Prayer

**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.

**P** The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even † evermore.

**C** Amen.

*Sit (Pastor addresses family, sponsors and congregation)*

**P** Do you renounce the devil?

**R** *Yes, I renounce him.*

**P** Do you renounce all his works?

**R** *Yes, I renounce them.*

**P** Do you renounce all his ways?

**R** *Yes, I renounce them.*

**P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

**R** *Yes, I believe.*

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead?

**R** *Yes, I believe.*

**P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

**R** *Yes, I believe.*

**P** Parents, do you desire to have Salomo be baptized and intend to follow Christ's instructions of teaching him all that He has commanded us to do?

**R** *Yes, we do.*

*The pastor pours water three times on the head the candidate while saying:*

**P** Salomo Levin Schwarz, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
(German) Ich Taufe dich auf den Namen Gottes des Vaters und des Sohnes und des Heiligen Geistes  
(Mandarin Chinese) 我奉圣父圣子圣灵的名为你施洗。  
Wo feng sheng Fu sheng zi sheng ling de ming wei ni shi xi.

**C** Amen.

*The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized, and while making the sign of the cross during the blessing, olive oil (Chrism) is used to symbolize the sealing with the Holy Spirit for salvation (Eph. 1:13-14):*

**P** The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life † everlasting.

**C** Amen.

*The pastor places a white garment on the newly baptized while saying:*

- P** Receive this white garment to show that you have been clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covers all your sin. So shall you stand without fear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the inheritance prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

*The pastor lights a baptismal candle from the paschal candle and gives it to the newly baptized while saying:*

- P** Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.
- A** In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our Brother in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- C Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.**

*All Stand (Family and sponsors move with pastor in front of the altar)*

- P** Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Salomo the new birth in Holy Baptism and made him a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as he has now become Your child, You would keep him in his baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure he may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.**
- P** Lord and Giver of life, look with kindness upon the father and mother of this child and upon all our parents. Let them ever rejoice in the gift You have given them. Enable them to be teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism that they may share eternally with their children the salvation You have given them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.**
- P** Peace ☩ be with you.
- C Amen.**

*Welcome to our new Brother-in-Christ! Family returns to their seat. Congregation sits.*

Through many dangers toils and snares  
I have already come  
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home

When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we first begun

## **Salutation and Prayer of the Day**

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.**



**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, You are the unseen presence in all human affairs, the unseen actor in the drama of our lives. Though our days are now marked by sorrow, in a little while we will see Jesus. Grant us Your Spirit that we may behold You through eyes of faith as You come among us by Your Word and Sacraments; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G Amen.**

## First Reading

*Acts 11:1–18*

<sup>1</sup>Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, <sup>3</sup>“You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them.” <sup>4</sup>But Peter began and explained it to them in order: <sup>5</sup>“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. <sup>6</sup>Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>And I heard a voice saying to me, ‘Rise, Peter; kill and eat.’ <sup>8</sup>But I said, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ <sup>9</sup>But the voice answered a second time from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, do not call common.’ <sup>10</sup>This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. <sup>11</sup>And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea.

<sup>12</sup>And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. <sup>13</sup>And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.’ <sup>15</sup>As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>17</sup>If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God’s way?” <sup>18</sup>When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, “Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

*adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Christ has risen from the dead.

**God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor,**

He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

**He has put all things under His feet.**

## Second Reading

*Revelation 21:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. <sup>4</sup>He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

<sup>5</sup>And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup>And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. <sup>7</sup>The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Verse

*Romans 6:9; John 14:23*

**C** **Alleluia!**

**P** *We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.* **C** **Alleluia!**

**P** *If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.* **C** **Alleluia!**

## Holy Gospel

*John 16:12–22*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

<sup>16</sup>"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." <sup>17</sup>So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" <sup>18</sup>So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." <sup>19</sup>Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'?" <sup>20</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. <sup>21</sup>When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. <sup>22</sup>So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Message on John 16:12-22 by Pastor Rennie

**What a Friend We have in Jesus** (*in Mandarin Chinese, German, and English*)

何等恩友仁慈救主， 负我罪孽担我忧。

He deng en you ren ci jiu zhu, fu wo zui nie dan wo you

何等权利能将万事 · 来到耶稣座前求。

He deng quan li neng jiang wan shi , lai dao ye su zuo qian qiu

多少平安我们坐失 · 多少痛苦冤枉受，

duo shao ping an wo men zuo shi, duo shao tong ku yuan wang shou

都是因为未将万事 · 来到耶稣座前求。

Dou shi yin wei wei jiang wan shi , lai dao ye su zuo qian qiu

Welch ein Freund ist unser Jesus, o wie hoch ist Er erhöht!  
Er hat uns mit Gott versöhnet und vertritt uns im Gebet.  
Wer mag sagen und ermessen, wie viel Heil verloren geht,  
wenn wir nicht zu Ihm uns wenden und Ihn suchen im Gebet!

1. What a friend we have in Jesus  
All our sins and griefs to bear  
What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer  
O what peace we often forfeit  
O what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer

2. Have we trials and temptations  
Is there trouble anywhere  
We should never be discouraged  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
Who will all our sorrows share  
Jesus knows our every weakness  
Take it to the Lord in prayer

3. Are we weak and heavy laden  
Cumbered with a load of care  
Precious Savior still our refuge  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
Do thy friends despise forsake thee  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee  
Thou wilt find a solace there

## Prayer of the Church

**P** *Let us pray.* Alpha and Omega, we acknowledge that You hold us and all things in Your good hands. In hard times or good, help us to trust that You are at work to accomplish Your purposes in our lives. Grant us patience and faith—patience to wait a little while to see Jesus and live forever in Your new creation, and faith to trust that in the meantime, You are truly present and active among us by Your Word and Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**MEN** – God who makes all things new, we ask You to renew what is broken in this world. In both the public and private sectors, please rejuvenate systems of government, commerce, healthcare, industry, and service that people may become valued more than profit or power. Also by Your grace and Spirit, please continue healing the brokenness of individual people at every level of our society in this world. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**WOMEN** – Lord, who is trustworthy and true, You give us pastors to speak Your Word on Your behalf. Grant faithfulness to these men that they may serve as under the cross, ever pointing others toward the Savior. With Your love and tender mercies, visit the sick and all who suffer. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**MEN** – Beginning and the End, You hold the past, the present, and the future. We give You thanks for our loved ones and for all the saints who have fallen asleep in Jesus. Grant us faith to follow Jesus during our days of pilgrimage and bring us at last to Your kingdom, where You dwell with the saints in unapproachable light. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**WOMEN** – God, who dwells among Your people, be present among all who come to hear Your Word preached both here and around the world. Grant that in our hearing we may be forgiven, that we may be filled with, and strengthened in faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who taught us 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 Offering** DURING THE OFFERING: Whether you are a visitor or a member, please turn in a Worship Card so we may know whom the Lord has served with His Word.

### Because He Lives

Gott liebte uns er sandte Jesus  
In ihm kein Mensch verloren geht  
Er starb für mich hat Schuld vergeben  
Das leere Grab ist ein Beweis  
Dass Jesus lebt

***Weil Jesus lebt habe ich Vertrauen  
Weil Jesus lebt ist fort die Angst  
Ja weil ich weiß Er kennt die Zukunft  
Hat es doch Sinn zu leben grade weil Er lebt***

1. God sent His Son; they called Him Jesus  
He came to love, heal and forgive  
He lived and died to buy my pardon  
An empty grave is there to prove  
My Savior lives

2. How sweet to hold a newborn baby  
And feel the pride and joy he gives  
But greater still the calm assurance  
This child can face uncertain days  
Because He lives **CHORUS**

**CHORUS: Because He lives I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives, all fear is gone  
Because I know He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives**

3. And then one day we'll cross that river  
We'll fight life's final war with pain  
And then as death gives way to victory  
We'll see the lights of glory  
And we'll know He reigns **CHORUS**

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因他活着，我能面对明天。  
因他活着，不再惧怕。  
我深知道，他掌管明天。  
生命充满了意义，只因他活着。

**Benediction**