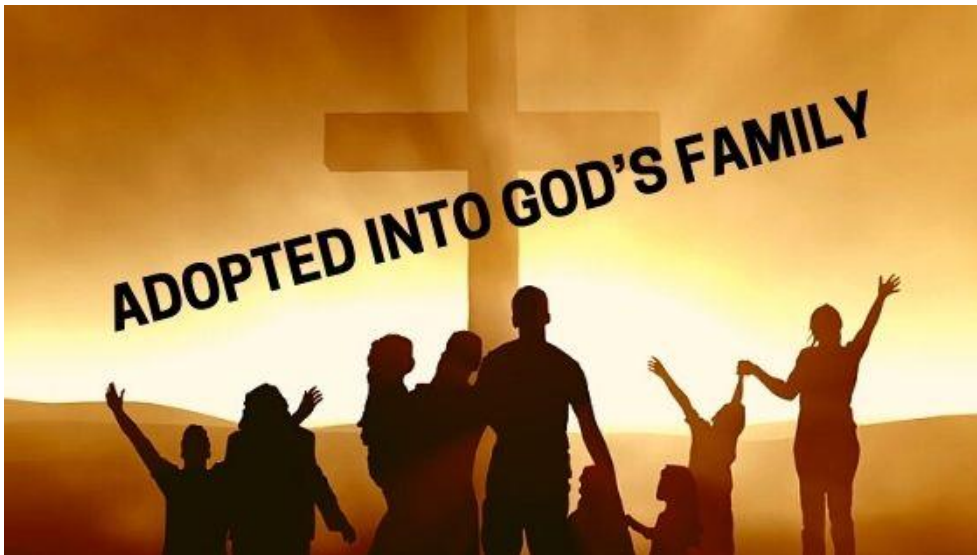




Risen Christ Lutheran Church  
Sunday Worship  
June 19, 2022 9:30am



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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.

**Listening Assistance Devices** – Available at the Sound Booth.

**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** – In the Readings for today, we see God’s desire to extend His kingdom to all people. In the Old Testament Reading, God says, “Here am I” to a nation that was not Israel. In the Epistle, we see that race, economic status, and gender do not disqualify anyone from being saved by Christ. God’s kingdom is for all people. In the Gospel, Jesus embarks to the country of the Gerasenes and casts out a legion of demons from a man. Jesus frees this demon-possessed man and brings him into His kingdom. As we seek to extend God’s kingdom, we share the Gospel with people from every tribe, nation, and language group. Like Jesus, show no partiality.

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **Prayer and Blessing on Fathers**

### **Invocation and Opening Sentences**

- A In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✝}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**
- A In this world we are surrounded by enemies,  C **but Christ sets us free.**
- A Sin has enslaved us all,  C **but Christ forgives us.**
- A We deserve death for our sinful lives,  C **but Christ is risen and will raise us as well.**
- A We are vulnerable to the attacks of Satan,  C **but Christ is present and protects us.**

## A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A sword and shield vic -  
2 No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, re -  
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All threat'ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who



to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal -  
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom God Him -  
your us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not  
fear it; For God Him - self fights by our side With weap - ons



va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe Has sworn to  
self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? The Lord of  
o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage; In bat - tle  
of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, Goods, hon - or,



work us woe. With craft and dread - ful might He  
hosts is He, Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's  
we'll en - gage. His might is doomed to fail; God's  
child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way, They



arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
can - not win the day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

## Confession and Absolution

- A** In Eden, our first parents listened to the voice of Satan and disobeyed the voice of God. By their actions they allowed sin and death into world. We have continued in their footsteps, enslaved to sin, bound to die, and all too often captive to the voice of Satan. Let us go before our God and Father, confessing our sins and asking Him for forgiveness. Heavenly Father,
- C** we confess that we are in captivity to sin. We are powerless to overcome death. On our own, we are no match for the power of Satan. For the sake of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive our sins. Free us from our enemies. Restore our broken relationships with You and with one another.

**A** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise for you so that your sins may be forgiven, that death would be destroyed, and that Satan would be defeated. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C** Amen. We are freed from our enemies. We are freed to serve in God's kingdom.

## 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***

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## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 65:1-9*

<sup>1</sup>I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me;

I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here am I, here am I," to a nation that was not called by my name.

<sup>2</sup>I spread out my hands all the day to a rebellious people,  
who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices;

<sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me to my face continually,  
sacrificing in gardens and making offerings on bricks;

<sup>4</sup>who sit in tombs, and spend the night in secret places;  
who eat pig's flesh, and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels;

<sup>5</sup>who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."  
These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all the day.

<sup>6</sup>Behold, it is written before me: "I will not keep silent, but I will repay;  
I will indeed repay into their bosom

<sup>7</sup>both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities together,  
says the LORD; because they made offerings on the mountains and insulted me on the hills,  
I will measure into their bosom payment for their former deeds."

<sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD:

"As the new wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,'  
so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all.

<sup>9</sup>I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, and from Judah possessors of my mountains;  
my chosen shall possess it, and my servants shall dwell there."

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

Psalm 3

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me;

<sup>2</sup>**many are saying of my soul, there is no salvation for him in God.**

<sup>3</sup>But you, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

<sup>4</sup>**I cried aloud to the LORD, and he answered me from his holy hill.**

<sup>5</sup>I lay down and slept; I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.

<sup>6</sup>**I will not be afraid of many thousands of people who have set themselves against me all around.**

<sup>7</sup>Arise, O LORD! Save me, O my God! For you strike all my enemies on the cheek;  
you break the teeth of the wicked.

<sup>8</sup>**Salvation belongs to the LORD; your blessing be on your people!**

## Epistle

Galatians 3:23—4:7

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. <sup>27</sup>For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

<sup>1</sup>I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, <sup>2</sup>but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. <sup>3</sup>In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. <sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord. **G** Thanks be to God.

## Verse

Luke 8:39a

**ALL – Alleluia. Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you. Alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

Luke 8:26–39

**A** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter. **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>26</sup>Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." <sup>29</sup>For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. <sup>32</sup>Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

<sup>34</sup>When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

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

## He Reigns

**1.** It's the song of the redeemed  
Rising from the African plain  
It's the song of the forgiven  
Drowning out the Amazon rain  
The song of Asian believers  
Filled with God's holy fire  
It's every tribe every tongue every nation  
A love song born of a grateful choir

**CHORUS: It's all God's children singing  
Glory glory hallelujah  
He reigns He reigns  
It's all God's children singing  
Glory glory hallelujah  
He reigns (He reigns)**

**2.** Let it rise above the four winds  
Caught up in the heavenly sound  
Let praises echo from the towers of cathedrals  
To the faithful gathered underground  
Of all the songs sung from the dawn of creation  
Some were meant to persist  
Of all the bells rung from a thousand steeples  
None rings truer than this

**CHORUS: It's all God's children singing  
Glory glory hallelujah  
He reigns He reigns  
It's all God's children singing  
Glory glory hallelujah  
He reigns (He reigns)**

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**BRIDGE: And all the powers of darkness  
Tremble at what they've just heard  
'Cause all the powers of darkness  
Can't drown out a single word **CHORUS****

**Sermon Preached by Hugh McMartin, Retired LC-MS Licensed Lay Minister (Deacon) and Chaplain, and member of Risen Christ.**

## This I Believe

**1.** Our Father everlasting  
The all creating One  
God Almighty  
Through Your Holy Spirit  
Conceiving Christ the Son  
Jesus our Savior

**CHORUS: I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in One  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus**

2. Our judge and our defender  
Suffered and crucified  
Forgiveness is in You  
Descended into darkness  
You rose in glorious life  
Forever seated high **CHORUS**

**BRIDGE (2x):** I believe in You  
I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

I believe in life eternal  
I believe in the virgin birth  
I believe in the saints' communion  
And in Your holy Church  
I believe in the resurrection  
When Jesus comes again

For I believe in the Name of Jesus **CHORUS**

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## Prayer of the Church

**A** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Dear heavenly Father, place Your wise hand upon all the nations of the earth, give them leaders who seek after justice and peace, and lead all people to the freedom of Your Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**MEN** – Lord, lift up all those who are weighed down by the guilt and shame of sin. Release them from their bondage and point them to forgiveness as the feet of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**WOMEN** – Lord, walk with all those who are grieving in the shadow of death. Comfort them with the hope of the resurrection to eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**MEN** – Lord, strengthen all those who are fighting against the power of Satan. Remind them of Your presence in Your Word and Sacraments. Empower them to resist Satan's lies with the truth of Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**WOMEN** – Lord, give hope to all those who are isolated and lonely. Bring them into the presence of the loving community of Your Church that they find help and hope among Your people. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

**MEN** – Look, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering. Have mercy upon them and heal them according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

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

- A** Dear heavenly Father, send Your people to every corner of the earth with Your Gospel message, that all who do not know the saving power of Your Son's death and resurrection hear the good news of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray:

## 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.**

## The Offering – ONLINE GIVING available at [www.RisenChrist.info](http://www.RisenChrist.info)

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. Offering plates are at the sanctuary doors.

## Christ Is Risen

**1.** Let no one caught in sin  
Remain inside the lie of inward shame  
But fix our eyes upon the cross  
And run to Him who showed great love  
And bled for us  
Freely You've bled for us

**CHORUS: Christ is risen from the dead  
Trampling over death by death  
Come awake come awake  
Come and rise up from the grave  
Christ is risen from the dead  
We are one with Him again  
Come awake come awake  
Come and rise up from the grave**

**2.** Beneath the weight of all our sin  
You bowed to none but heaven's will  
No scheme of hell no scoffer's crown  
No burden great can hold You down  
In strength You reign  
Forever let Your church proclaim **CHORUS**

**BRIDGE: O death where is your sting  
O hell where is your victory  
O church come stand in the light  
The glory of God has defeated the night  
Singing O death where is your sting  
O hell where is your victory  
O church come stand in the light  
Our God is not dead  
He's alive He's alive **CHORUS****

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