

St. Mark's Presbyterian Church
Second Sunday of Easter – April 12, 2025

Land Acknowledgement

I acknowledge I am leading worship from Treaty 4 Territory the traditional homeland of the Cree, Ojibwe, Saulteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and the Métis Nations

Responsive Call to Worship

Come, bless the Lord, in whom we find our refuge and safety.

You are our God; all the good things come from You alone.

Come, bless the Lord, who gives us a rich inheritance, and surrounds us with abundance.

You are our God; our lives are in your hands.

Come, bless the Lord, who guides us on the path to eternal life, whose presence strengthens and sustains us.

You are our God; we will not be shaken. Let's worship God together!

Hymn 274 Crown him with many crowns

**1. Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon the throne:
hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died to be
your Saviour and your matchless King
through all eternity.**

**2. Crown him the Son of God,
before the worlds began;
let all who tread where he has trod,
crown him the Son of Man,
who every grief has known
that wrings the human breast,
and takes and bears them for his own,
that all in him may rest.**

**3. Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife**

**for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.**

**4. Crown him the Lord of peace
whose kingdom is at hand;
from pole to pole let warfare cease
and Christ rule every land!
A city stands on high;
Christ's glory it displays,
and there the nations 'Holy' cry
in joyful hymns of praise.**

**5. Crown him the Lord of years,
the Source, the End of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres
in majesty sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail,
for you have died for me;
your praise shall never, never fail
through all eternity!**

Prayer of Praise (*minister*)

Hymn 265 Hail the day that sees Christ rise

- 1. Hail the day that sees Christ rise, Hallelujah!
to the throne in paradise; Hallelujah!
Christ the Lamb for sinners given, Hallelujah!
enters now the highest heaven. Hallelujah!**
- 2. Christ, for you high triumph waits, Hallelujah!
lift your heads, eternal gates; Hallelujah!
you have conquered death and sin: Hallelujah!
enter, Sovereign, enter in. Hallelujah!**
- 3. See the nail marked hands above, Hallelujah!
signs of God's redeeming love; Hallelujah!
hark, Christ's words our hearts assure, Hallelujah!
"I will send a Comforter!" Hallelujah!**
- 4. Christ, for us still intercede; Hallelujah!
by your suffering for us plead; Hallelujah!**

**near yourself prepare a place, Hallelujah!
as the first fruits of God's grace. Hallelujah!**

**5. Now, though parted from our sight, Hallelujah!
in the depths of starry night, Hallelujah!
may God raise us up again, Hallelujah!
heirs of your eternal reign. Hallelujah!**

Prayer of Confession (*congregation*)

O God, in raising Jesus from the dead, you showed us your power to defeat all the things bringing fear and sorrow to our lives. In his resurrection, Jesus promised to be with us always. Yet we confess we are sometimes uncertain about how to find him. Like Thomas, we are unsure if we can trust the promise of resurrection for ourselves. Forgive us when we struggle with doubt about your presence with us.

- silent confession -

The Lord's Prayer (*Debts/Debtors*)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

**And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from
evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory. For
ever and ever. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon (*minister*)

Hymn 231 When I survey the wondrous cross

**1. When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.**

**2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.**

3. See from His head, His hands, His feet,

**Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.**

Responsive Reading Psalm 16 p. 466 NT & Psalms

¹Keep me safe, O God,
for I have come to you for refuge.

**²I said to the Lord, "You are my Master!
Every good thing I have comes from you."**

³The godly people in the land
are my true heroes!
I take pleasure in them!

**⁴Troubles multiply for those who chase after other gods.
I will not take part in their sacrifices of blood
or even speak the names of their gods.**

⁵Lord, you alone are my inheritance, my cup of blessing.
You guard all that is mine.

**⁶The land you have given me is a pleasant land.
What a wonderful inheritance!**

⁷I will bless the Lord who guides me;
even at night my heart instructs me.

**⁸I know the Lord is always with me.
I will not be shaken, for he is right beside me.**

⁹No wonder my heart is glad, and I rejoice.
My body rests in safety.

**¹⁰For you will not leave my soul among the dead
or allow your holy one to rot in the grave.**

**¹¹You will show me the way of life,
granting me the joy of your presence
and the pleasures of living with you forever.**

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Scripture Lessons

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 p. 203 NT & Psalms
1 Peter 1:3-9 p. 402 NT & Psalms

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon What proof do you need?

Prayers of the People (*minister*)

Prayer of Dedication (*congregation*)

Our God, giver of every good and perfect gift, in Christ we see the power of sacrifice, and trust the hope of resurrection he offers. Receive our gifts given in gratitude for all we have received in him. Bless all that we give so that his healing work in the world may continue. Amen.

Hymn 689 Simply trusting every day

**1. Simply trusting every day,
trusting through a stormy way,
even when my faith is small,
trusting Jesus, that is all.**

Refrain:

**Trusting as the moments fly,
trusting as the days go by,
trusting him whate'er befall,
trusting Jesus, that is all.**

**2. Brightly doth his Spirit shine
into this poor heart of mine;
while he leads I cannot fall,
trusting Jesus, that is all.**

Refrain:

**Trusting as the moments fly,
trusting as the days go by,
trusting him whate'er befall,
trusting Jesus, that is all.**

**3. Singing, if my way be clear,
praying, if the path be drear,
if in danger for him call,
trusting Jesus, that is all.**

Refrain:

Trusting as the moments fly,

**trusting as the days go by,
trusting him whate'er befall,
trusting Jesus, that is all.**

**4. Trusting him while life shall last,
trusting him till earth be past,
till within the jasper wall,
trusting Jesus, that is all.**

Refrain:

**Trusting as the moments fly,
trusting as the days go by,
trusting him whate'er befall,
trusting Jesus, that is all.**

Choral Blessing

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will be with you each hour of every day.
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

Benediction

Three-fold Amen

Piano Postlude