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Today's Virtual Flowers are presented by the Josephs

PRELUDE

Earth and All Stars - arr Michael Burkhardt

ENTRANCE HYMN

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen! (ELW 377)

1. Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding
in glorious light! Splendor, the Lamb, heaven
forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

2. City of God, Easter forever, golden Jerusalem, Jesus
the Lamb, River of life, saints and archangels, sing
with creation to God the I AM!

Refrain: Jesus is risen and we shall arise. Give God
the glory! Alleluia!

Refrain

GREETING (ELW p. 98)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PSALM:

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

¹In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame;
deliver me in your righteousness.

²Incline your ear to me;
make haste to deliver me.

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold;
for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

⁴Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me,
for you are my tower of strength. R

⁵Into your hands I commend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.

¹⁵My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love."

GOSPEL:

John 14:1-14.

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

PERSONAL REFLECTION

Jesus Christus, unser Heiland - Buxtehude

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

You Are the Way (ELW 758)

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| 1. You are the way; to you alone from sin and death we flee;
All those who search for God, you find and by your grace set free. | 2. You are the way, the truth, the life; grant us that way to know,
That truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys eternal flow. |
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OFFERTORY

The Call - Ralph Vaughn Williams

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

BLESSING (ELW p. 114)

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

Now the Green Blade Rises (ELW 379)

1. Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
Wheat -- that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.
2. When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Your-- touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

DISMISSAL (ELW p. 115)

Go in peace! Celebrate! Think! Serve!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Now the Green Blade Rises - arr David Cherwien

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