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Growing God's Family

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10:45 a.m. Service

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

**WE GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITORS AND GUESTS AMONG US.
WE PRAY THAT TODAY'S SERVICE IS A BLESSING TO YOU. PLEASE COME AGAIN!**

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by the Rudat family in celebration of their son, Tristan's birthday.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER: We are celebrating the Sacrament of the Altar today. This is The Lord's Table. As a church and body of Christians we believe this:

We will be receiving the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, in, with and under, the bread and wine.

When we receive Jesus' true body and blood, we receive the forgiveness of sins.

By communing together with our Lord and one another, we express a common belief that Jesus is in truth the Son of God, and our Savior; He is present in this Sacrament in a very real way; that Christ's sacrificial death assures us of complete forgiveness of our sins; and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a life that honors God.

If you share all these convictions, then you are welcome to come and celebrate the blessings of our Altar today. Please note that cups at the center of each tray are "non-alcoholic" wine for those who prefer such for medicinal and personal reasons. Pastor Erler is available before service if you have any questions.

A **NURSERY** with an attendant is available during worship service. You are welcome to use this service. Ask an usher for directions.

PRAYERS FOR WORSHIP

BEFORE WORSHIP

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

BEFORE COMMUNING

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)

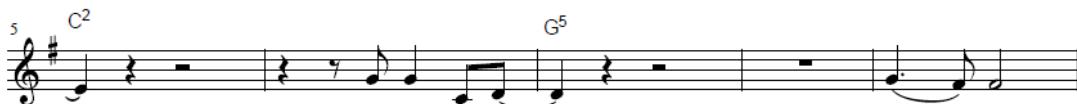
Words and Music by
Paul Baloche and Brenton Brown

♩ = 114

VERSE



1. Praise is ris - ing, eyes are turn - ing to You;
2. Hear the sound of hearts re - turn - ing to You;



We turn to You; Hope is
We turn to You; In Your



stir - ing hearts are year - ing for You;
King - dom bro - ken lives are made new;



We long for You; 'Cause when we see
You make us new;

PRE-CHORUS



You, we find strength to face the day; In Your pres-



-ence all our fears are washed a-way, washed a-way. Ho-

CHORUS



-san - na, ho - san - na, You are the God.

29 G^5 D^{sus} Em^7 C^2
 — who — saves us, wor — thy of all — our prais — es; — Ho —

33 G^{sus} G Em^7 C^2
 —san — na, ho — san — na, — come have Your way .

37 G^5 D^{sus} Em^7 C^2
 — a — mong us; We wel — come You here, — Lord Je — sus. —

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Please stand

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

Confession of Sins

- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins,
- C** **O Lord, who could stand?**
- P** But with You there is forgiveness;
- C** **therefore You are feared.**
- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** **I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

Absolution

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated

You Are My King (Amazing Love)

Words and Music by
Billy J. Foote

VERSE

1 D/F# G² A^{SUS} A D/F# G²
 I'm for-giv - en _ be - cause You were _ for-sak - en. I'm ac-cept-ed;

4 A^{SUS} A D/F# G²
 You were _ con - demned. _ I'm a - live _ and well, _ Your

6 A^{SUS} A G² A D
 Spir - it is _ with-in _ me be - cause You died _ and rose _ a - gain. _

CHORUS

9 D G D
 A-maz-ing love, _ how _ can it be _ that You, my _ King, _ would die _ for me? _

12 A^{SUS} A G/A D G
 _ A - maz - ing love, _ I _ know it's true; _

15 D
 Last time to Coda ♪

1. A ^{SUS} A G/A	2. A ^{SUS} A
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15 it's my _ joy _ to hon - or You. _ In all _ I _

18 G A D
 _ do _ I hon - or You. _

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³⁶ The LORD will vindicate his people
and have compassion on his servants,
when he sees that their power is gone
and there is none remaining, bond or free.

³⁷ Then he will say, "Where are their gods,
the rock in which they took refuge,

³⁸ who ate the fat of their sacrifices
and drank the wine of their drink offering?
Let them rise up and help you;
let them be your protection!

Let them rise up and help you;
let them be your protection!

³⁹ "See now that I, even I, am he,
and there is no god beside me;
I kill and I make alive;
I wound and I heal;
and there is none that can deliver out of my hand."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

[Christ] entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood,
thus securing an eternal redemption.

Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,

so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

He sent redemption to his people;

he has commanded his covenant forever.

Epistle

Philippians 2:5–11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Holy Gospel

Luke 23:1–56

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

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

Jesus Before Pilate

¹Then the whole company of them arose and brought him before Pilate. ²And they began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man misleading our nation and forbidding us to give tribute to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king."
³And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so."
⁴Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no guilt in this man."
⁵But they were urgent, saying, "He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee even to this place."

Jesus Before Herod

⁶When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. ⁷And when he learned that he belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him over to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. ⁸When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had long desired to see him, because he had heard about him, and he was hoping to see some sign done by him. ⁹So he questioned him at some length, but he made no answer. ¹⁰The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. ¹¹And

Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate. ¹²And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other.

¹³Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, ¹⁴and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was misleading the people. And after examining him before you, behold, I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against him. ¹⁵Neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Look, nothing deserving death has been done by him. ¹⁶I will therefore punish and release him."

Pilate Delivers Jesus to Be Crucified

¹⁸But they all cried out together, "Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas"— ¹⁹a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city and for murder. ²⁰Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus, ²¹but they kept shouting, "Crucify, crucify him!" ²²A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no guilt deserving death. I will therefore punish and release him." ²³But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed. ²⁴So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted. ²⁵He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, for whom they asked, but he delivered Jesus over to their will.

The Crucifixion

²⁶And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵And

the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!"³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!"⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?"⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong."⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Death of Jesus

⁴⁴It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour,⁴⁵ while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two.⁴⁶ Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last.⁴⁷ Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, "Certainly this man was innocent!"⁴⁸ And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts.⁴⁹ And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

Jesus Is Buried

⁵⁰Now there was a man named Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man,⁵¹ who had not consented to their decision and action; and he was looking for the kingdom of God.⁵² This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.⁵³ Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud and laid him in a tomb cut in stone, where no one had ever yet been laid.⁵⁴ It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning.⁵⁵ The women who had come with him from Galilee followed and saw the tomb and how his body was laid.⁵⁶ Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments.

On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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.**

**I 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. Amen.**

Please be seated

At The Cross (Love Ran Red)

Words and Music by
Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Matt Armstrong
Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

VERSE 1

1. There's a ___ place where mer - cy ___ reigns and nev - er ___ dies,
there's a ___ place where streams of ___ grace flow deep and ___ wide;
Where all the ___ love I've ev - er ___ found comes like a ___ flood, comes flow -

Chords: Bm, A/C#, D, D/F#, G², Bm, A/C#, D, D/F#, G², A⁽⁴⁾, G², A⁽⁴⁾

CHORUS 1a

- ing down. At the cross, at the cross, I sur - ren - der my life. I'm in
awe of You, I'm in awe of You. Where Your love ran red, and my
sin washed white. I owe all to You, I owe all to You, Je - sus.

Chords: G², G², D, A, Em⁷, G², D, A, Em⁷, G²

VERSE 2

2. There's a ___ place where sin and ___ shame are pow - er -

Chords: D, G²/D, D, Bm, A/C#, D, D/F#

27 G^2 Bm $A/C\#$ D $D/F\#$
 - less, where my heart has peace with God and for-give -

31 G^2 G^2/B $A(4)$ $D/F\#$
 - ness; Where all the love I've ev - er

34 G^2 G^2/B $A(4)$ $D/F\#$ G^2
 - found comes like a flood, comes flow - ing down. At the

CHORUS 1a

37 G^2 D A
 cross, at the cross I sur - ren - der my life. I'm in awe of You, I'm in

40 Em^7 G^2 D
 awe of You. Where Your love ran red, and my sin washed white. I owe

BRIDGE 1a

43 A Em^7 G^2
 all to you, I owe all to You. Here my hope is found,

46 Bm D $A^{sus}/C\#$
 here on ho - ly ground; Here I bow down, here I bow down.

49 G^2 Bm D/A
 Here, arms o - pen wide, here You saved my life; - Here I bow down,

CHORUS 1b

52 A G² D

here I bow. At the cross, at the cross, I sur - ren - der my life. I'm in

55 A Em⁷ G²

awe of You, I'm in awe of You. Where Your love ran red, and my

58 D A 1. Em⁷

sin washed white. I owe all to you, I owe all to You. At the

61 2. Em⁷ A Em⁷ INSTRUMENTAL G²/D

all to You. I owe all to You, I owe all to You, Je - sus. ___

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Sermon

Please stand

Prayer of the Church

The Pastor will end each petition with the phrase, "Lord in Your Mercy".
The congregation will respond "**Hear our Prayer**".

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

- G** **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.**

Words of Institution

Please be seated

Please note:

St. Mark Lutheran Church is a congregation and a body of Christians believing firmly God's Word which says that in Holy Communion we truly and really receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus as we receive the earthly elements of bread and wine. His body and blood are not symbolically present or spiritually received, but real and tangible in the bread and wine, with the bread and wine, under the bread and wine by the authority of Jesus' words, and given to us as His pledge of love and forgiveness.

Holy Communion is a gift of God intended for those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Christian Faith. Within our Lutheran Church, we ask that a confirmation be done according to our Lutheran understanding. It is imperative, according to 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, for a communicant to spiritually examine himself before coming to the Lord's Table.

A brief examination would include answering "Yes" to the following five questions:

Do you believe that you are a sinner by nature and by choice?

Are you truly sorry for your sins?

Do you believe Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior from sin Who graciously forgives your sins?

Do you intend, by the power of the Holy Spirit to make the needed changes in your sinful life?

Do you believe you receive the true body and blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine?

Distribution

Please stand

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

G Amen.

God Is Able

Words and Music by
Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

♩=79 **INTRO**

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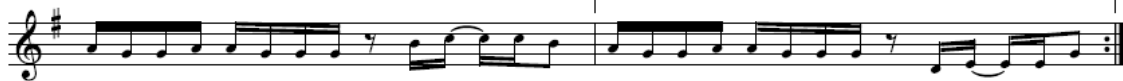
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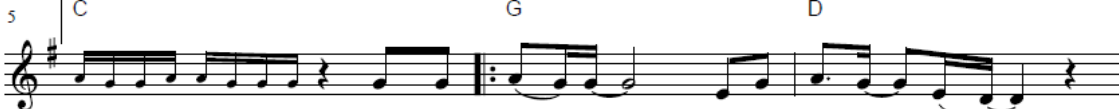
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1.

C



VERSE



1. God is a - ble, _ He will nev - er _ fail. _
(2. God is) with _ us, _ God is on our _ side. _

8 Em

C

G



He is Al - might - y _ God. _ Great - er than all we _ seek. _ Great - er than
He will _ make _ a way. _ Far _ a - bove all we _ know. _ Far _ a - bove

11 D

Em

C

D



all we _ ask. _ He has done _ great _ things. _ Lift - ed up, _
all we _ hope. _ He has done _ great _ things. _

§ **CHORUS**

14 G

D

Em



_____ He de - feat - ed the grave. _ Raised to life, _ our God is a -

17 C G/B

ble. In His Name, we o - ver - come, -

Last time to Coda ☼

19 D Em D

for the Lord our God is a -

1. INSTRUMENTAL 1

21 C G D

ble. -

24 Em C C

2. God is - ble. -

INSTRUMENTAL 2

27 G/B D Em D

BRIDGE

30 C G/B D

God is with us, He will go be - fore. He will nev - er

33 Em D C G/B

leave us. He will nev - er leave us. God is for us. He has

36 D Em D C D.S. al Coda
 o - pen - arms. - He will nev - er fail us. - He will nev - er fail us. - Lift - ed up,

39 C CHORUS G D
 - ble. ____ Lift - ed up, ____ He de - feat - ed the grave. ____ Raised to life, -

42 Em C G/B
 ____ our God is a - ble. In His Name, ____ we o - ver - come, -

45 D Em D C ENDING Em D
 ____ for the Lord ____ our God is a - ble. For the Lord ____ our God is a -

49 C Em D C G
 - ble. For the Lord ____ our God is a - ble.

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