

#### **WELCOME FAMILIES!**

We are glad that you are worshipping with your children and want you to feel welcome.

There is a "Pray
Ground" for quiet play in
the front right of the
sanctuary. We ask that
families stay with their
little ones and try to keep
noise to a minimum.

If you or your little one needs "a break" or "louder play", there is an "Active Worship" room on the West side of the sanctuary. You can see and hear the service from this room.

#### **GATHERING**



The Holy Spirit gathers us together during this time of worship

# WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion

## Welcome to Family of Christ

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning the way you feel comfortable.

All Are Welcome, No Exceptions! Everybody Is Somebody Here

#### **PRELUDE**

#### WELCOME

#### **GATHERING HYMN**

"Once Again"

Matt Redman

1. Jesus Christ I think upon Your sacrifice You became nothing Poured out to death Many times I've wondered at Your gift of life And I'm in that place once again I'm in that place once again

#### Chorus:

Once again I look upon the cross where You died I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside Once again I thank You Once again I pour out my life

2. Now You are Exalted to the highest place King of the heavens Where one day I'll bow But for now I marvel at this saving grace And I'm full of praise once again I'm full of praise once again. Chorus.

#### Bridge:

Thank You for the cross Thank You for the cross Thank You for the cross my Friend © 1995 Thankyou Music

#### **CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS**

L: In the light of the Resurrection, with humility we confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Risen Lord,

C: We long to live into the power of your resurrection promises, but we are slow to let go of all that keeps us in the grip of death: anger, regret, envy, stubbornness, selfrighteousness, exclusion, fear, and despair.

Forgive us, work in our hearts, and show us the joy which comes in believing your word of life.

L: People of God, hear the good news: Christ is arisen, and with him so are we! Receive and trust the word that in the name of Jesus Christ + you are forgiven.

C: Amen.

#### HYMN OF PRAISE

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

ELW #325

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Ascending Savior,

C: You have given us great power through your spirit. Help us to follow in your footprints and bring your love, hope, and grace to the world. Amen

#### CHILDREN'S TIME

READING: Acts 1

After Jesus' suffering he presented himself alive to the disciples by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

L: The Word of our Lord C: Thanks Be to God

All young and young at heart are invited forward during the Children's time.

#### THE WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song.



#### GOSPEL READING:

John 17:6-19

Jesus prayed to God <sup>6</sup>"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them.

<sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world.

<sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

L: The Good News of our Lord C: Thanks Be to God

**MESSAGE** 

Pastor Brent Erler

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

"A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!"

**ELW #393** 

**BAPTISM** 

Kaia Corinne Zimmermann

SHARING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOISY OFFERING

The Drawer

**OFFERING** 

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in Your Mercy

C: Hear our prayer

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#### THE MEAL

God feeds us with the forgiveness and presence of Christ.

All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing and Goldfish Crackers.



#### THE SENDING

We are blessed and sent out into the world to share God's Love with all people.



### **Serving Today**

Pastor
Brent Erler
Musician
Anne Mikiska
Sound and Video
Nathan Blilie

\*Thanks to all those who helped make worship possible.

#### HOLY COMMUNION

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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**

#### PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown.

Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

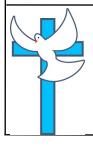
#### SENDING HYMN

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

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#### **SENDING**

#### **POSTLUDE**



# Today We Celebrate the Baptism of Kaia Corinne Zimmermann

Daughter of Anna and Brad Zimmermann
Sponsors are:
Nate and Madalyn Zimmermann

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