



ROYAL REDEEMER

AN LCMS CONGREGATION

May 11, 2025

9am Worship

That's a Great

QUESTION



Part II

Does God still heal today?

(Pastor Ben)

4th Sunday of Easter - May 11, 2025

9:00am Order of Worship

That's a Great Question, Part 2: Does God still heal today?

Prelude / Welcome

468 I Am Content! My Jesus Ever Lives



1 I am con-tent! My Je - sus ev - er lives, In whom my
2 I am con-tent! My Je - sus is my head; His mem - ber
3 I am con-tent! My Je - sus is my light, My ra - diant
4 I am con-tent! At length I shall be free, A - wak - ened



heart is pleased. He has ful-filled the Law of God for me,
I shall be. He bowed His head when on the cross He died
sun of grace. His cheer-ing rays beam bless-ings forth for all,
from the dead, A - ris - ing glo - rious ev - er - more to be



God's wrath He has ap-peased. Since He in death
With cries of ag - o - ny. Now death is brought
Sweet com-fort, hope, and peace. This Eas - ter sun
With You, my liv - ing head. The chains that hold



could per - ish nev - er, I al - so shall
in - to sub - jec - tion For me by Je -
has brought sal - va - tion And ev - er - last -
my bod - y, sev - er; Then shall my soul



not die for - ev - er. I am con-tent! I am con - tent!
sus' res - ur - rec - tion. I am con-tent! I am con - tent!
ing ex - ul - ta - tion. I am con-tent! I am con - tent!
re - joice for - ev - er. I am con-tent! I am con - tent!

Invocation & Confession

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

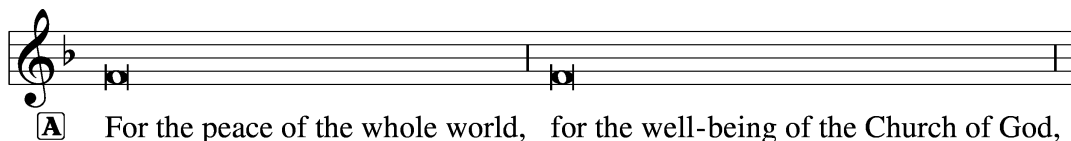
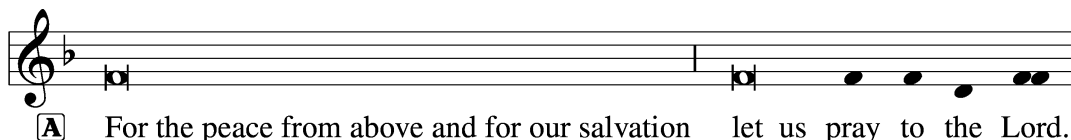
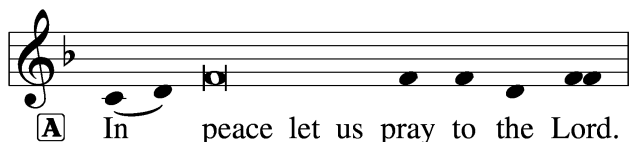
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

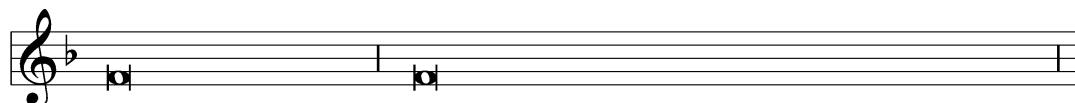
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

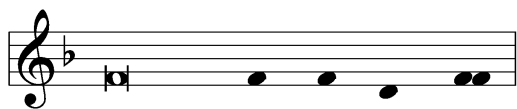
Passing of the Peace

Kyrie *LSB 152*





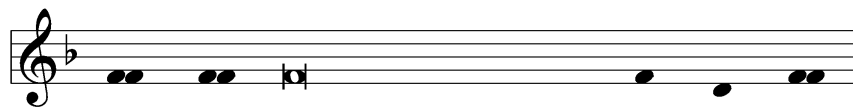
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

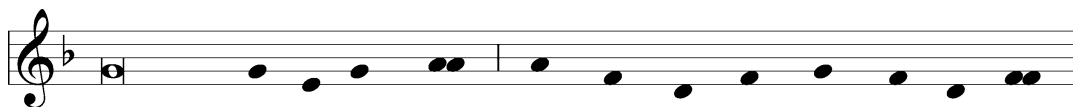


A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 154*



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please Sit)

First Lesson

Exodus 15:22-27

²² Then Moses led Israel from the Red Sea and they went into the Desert of Shur. For three days they traveled in the desert without finding water. ²³ When they came to Marah, they could not drink its water because it was bitter. (That is why the place is called Marah.) ²⁴ So the people grumbled against Moses, saying, “What are we to drink?”

²⁵ Then Moses cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a piece of wood. He threw it into the water, and the water became fit to drink.

There the LORD issued a ruling and instruction for them and put them to the test. ²⁶ He said, “If you listen carefully to the LORD your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, who heals you.”

²⁷ Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs and seventy palm trees, and they camped there near the water.

Second Lesson

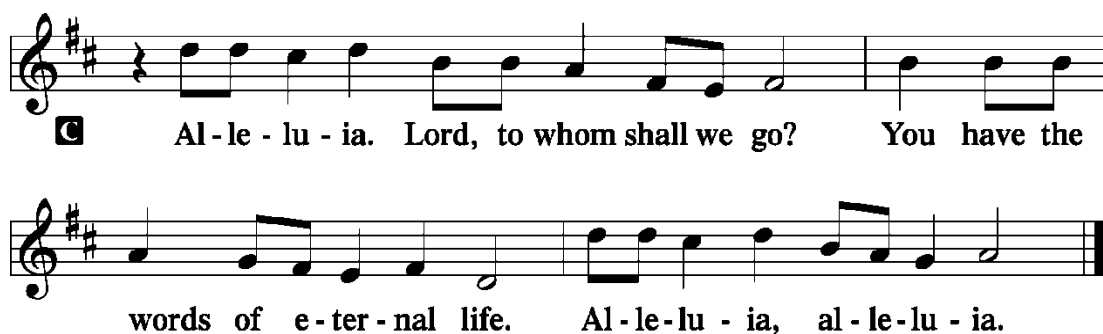
1 Corinthians 12:6-10

⁶ There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

⁷ Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸ To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues.

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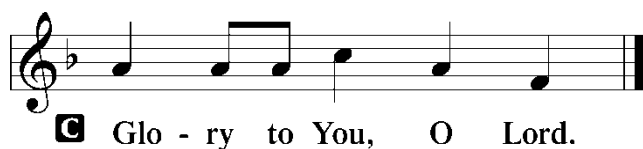
Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel, according to St Matthew the 4th chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Matthew 4:18-25

¹⁸ As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” ²⁰ At once they left their nets and followed him.

²¹ Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, ²² and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people. ²⁴ News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed; and he healed them. ²⁵ Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

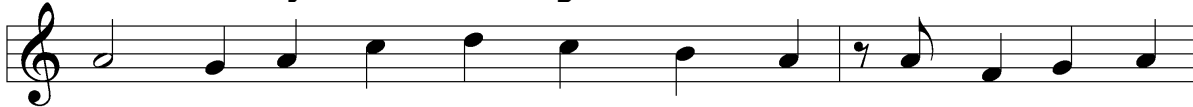
C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

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 Sit)

458 Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands *sts. 1, 3-6*



1 Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands For our of - fens -
3 Christ Je - sus, God's own Son, came down, His peo - ple to
4 It was a strange and dread - ful strife When life and death
5 Here our true Pas - chal Lamb we see, Whom God so free -
6 So let us keep the fes - ti - val To which the Lord



es - giv - en; But now at God's right hand He stands
de - liv - er; De - stroy - ing sin, He took the crown
con - tend - ed; The vic - to - ry re - mained with life,
ly gave us; He died on the ac - curs - ed tree—
in - vites us; Christ is Him - self the joy of all,



And brings us life from heav - en. There - fore let us
From death's pale brow for - ev - er: Stripped of pow'r, no
The reign of death was end - ed. Ho - ly Scrip - ture
So strong His love—to save us. See, His blood now
The sun that warms and lights us. Now His grace to



joy - ful be And sing to God right thank - ful - ly
more it reigns; An emp - ty form a - lone re - mains;
plain - ly saith That death is swal - lowed up by death,
marks our door; Faith points to it; death pass - es o'er,
us im - parts E - ter - nal sun - shine to our hearts;



Loud songs of al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Its sting is lost for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!
Its sting is lost for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!
And Sa - tan can - not harm us. Al - le - lu - ia!
The night of sin is end - ed. Al - le - lu - ia!

Message That's a Great Question, Part 2: Does God still heal today?

Offering

Thank you for your faithful support of ministry at Royal Redeemer. As a reminder, you may submit your offerings 1) in the collection plate, 2) via the Church Center App, 3) by mail to the church, 7127 Dutchland Pkwy., Liberty Township, Ohio, 4) via Church Center - you can find a link on the Worship Live page of our website, or 5) by arranging an automatic deposit through your bank account (see the Give page under the Serve section of our website).

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Announcements

Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Heavenly Father, in Your name Your Son purchased us with His own most holy blood, and He now leads us through the gate of death to our eternal home with You. As the sheep of His fold, inspire us to hear His voice gladly and to follow Him steadfastly through every tribulation. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord God, Shepherd of souls, Raise up faithful men to pastor Your flock, and grant that they would not shrink from proclaiming the kingdom of Christ. We pray especially for Your church here, that you would guide the Board of Servant Leaders as representatives of Your people. During this vacancy time, prepare the hearts of Your people and the Shepherd who be Called here. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Father in heaven, You have given us a mirror of Your love in the vocation of mothers who nurture, guide and raise their children in all things good. Bless them in their calling. Sustain them through weary and difficult times. Remember in compassion all who are barren, and bring them comfort through the children of Your Church. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O God, our King, You are Lord of all peoples, nations and tribes. Grant wisdom and truth to those who rule this land, that they may faithfully promote good and punish evil. Wherever our courts or laws are contrary to Your will, reform them for Your mercy's sake. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, You have not forgotten us in our afflictions or abandoned us in our weakness. Deliver the sick and suffering according to Your will, and give comfort to the dying, especially to those who have requested our prayers *[including _____]*. Guard us against despair, and grant us patience in the days of our trouble as we await Your perfect healing. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, You promised to raise up a shepherd to deliver Your sheep from all their enemies. We give You thanks for giving us Your own Son to be our Good Shepherd. Grant us to hear His voice, know Him by faith and follow where He leads, that He may deliver us into Your arms forever; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

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.

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.

474 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen *sts. 1, ref. 2-4*



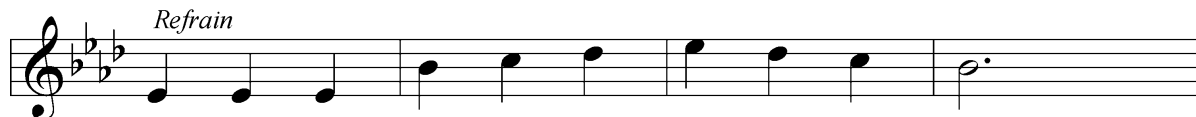
1 Al - le - lu - ia!	Je - sus is ris - en!	Trum - pets re -
2 Walk - ing the way,	Christ in the cen - ter	Tell - ing the
3 Je - sus the vine,	We are the branch - es;	Life in the
4 Weep - ing, be gone;	Sor - row, be si - lent:	Death put a -



sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!	Splen - dor, the Lamb,	Heav - en for -
sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;	Break - ing our bread,	Giv - ing us
Spir - it the fruit of the tree;	Heav - en to earth,	Christ to the
sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.	Cher - u - bim sing:	"O grave, be



ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
glo - ry: Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
peo - ple, Gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
o - pen!" Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.



Refrain
Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise:



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!