


Hymn Notes:
“I Come to the Garden Alone” (In the Garden)
This gospel hymn—not included in our *Glory to God* hymnal—was inspired by the dialogue at the garden tomb between the risen Christ and Mary (John 20:11-18). It invites the singer to experience Jesus in the unique way as Mary did as the risen Savior and Lord. It is an Easter hymn that has somehow become a popular choice at memorial services and funerals. In several hymnal committee surveys, this was one of the most requested of hymns to be included in a new hymnal; and it is also one the least liked, often denounced as erotic and egocentric. It still remains a popular hymn across denominational lines. The author of the hymn, published in 1913, was a New Jersey pharmacist turned music publisher. The organ arrangement is by Robert Hobby, Director of Music/Organist at Trinity English Lutheran Church of Ft. Wayne, IN.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

Sunday, May 5: Juanita Hickey
Monday, May 6: Joyce Curvin, Trish Cole, Ronald Elam
Tuesday, May 7: Jenny Carlstedt, Taylor Lyons, Sarah Birch
Wednesday, May 8: Pat Jackson, Bill Rimmler, Carol Hopkins
Thursday, May 9: Lauren Warren, Kristen Williamson

If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in church recently, give them a call!





The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by

Stephanie Carson
In Loving Memory of Jim Carson

Jackie & Jerry Koski
In Loving Memory of our Moms

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FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

GREETERS:
(8:15) Barbara Moler & Linda Ciokan
(11:00) Larry & Sandy Ingram

USHERS:
(8:15) Ken & Linda Andreassen
Myrl & Dot Chronister
(9:30) Candy & Rich Spoenlein
(11:00) Ken & Martha Tobiassen
Jon Mills & Claudia Alwood

VAN DRIVER: Fleet Wulf



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (18/19 School Year)
Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds–1st Grade, Room 3
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Kelly Tighe & Kim Blackmore.
2nd-5th Grade, Room 8
Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8 with Justine Davis

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11:00 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Middle & High Schoolers (6th-12th graders) are meeting this week for Sunday School. All youth are welcome to worship together in the center-right-side of the Sanctuary at the 9:30 Ignite service. After the service, youth will meet in the City at 10:45am for Sunday School where we will be discussing today’s message.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 A.M. TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11
TCI is a group of adults and even teens who wish to explore the ways their Christian values guide their reactions to modern challenges. The group is particularly committed to mission efforts around the world and locally.
Today, Jack Alwood and Nancy Marshall will examine The Lord's Prayer, in particular weighing some changes to it that have been proposed. On May 12th, Bill Bitner will look at the issue of Confederate monuments and the damage they do to descendants of slaves.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class Room 15, led by Vicki Krueger,
Join us on the journey for the truth about Jesus. In this video-based study based on "The Case for Christ," we will sift through historical evidence and expert testimony to help us see Jesus in a new way and find our lives transformed. We will also gain the tools to talk about Jesus with those who question whether Jesus existed or whether he is a good man, a prophet or the Son of God. Come join us!

11:30 A.M. Sunday Morning Bible Study
This Bible study meets at 11:30am on Sunday mornings in room 8. We are studying the Book of Hebrews, using the study guide: *Hebrews: Christ-Perfect Sacrifice, Perfect Priest* by John MacArthur. If you have any questions or would like to purchase a book for the study, please contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 or lucindy1@aol.com. This is a discussion class and is approximately one hour in length. All are welcome! Come join us!

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Order for the Public Worship of God
May 5, 2019
3rd Sunday of Easter
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

THE GATHERING

*(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins.
Please silence electronic devices.)*

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)* Chris Curvin, Pastor
Leader: We gather to worship as God’s dearly beloved children.
People: By God’s grace that is who we are!
Leader: Let us love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength,
People: and let us love our neighbors as ourselves.
All: In faith and with joy, let us praise and worship God who first loved us!

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“This Joyful Eastertide” Robert A. Hobby
(based on the Easter carol at #244)

(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

(Please complete the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and pass it toward the center aisle.)

***HYMN #233** “The Day of Resurrection!” LANCASHIRE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*

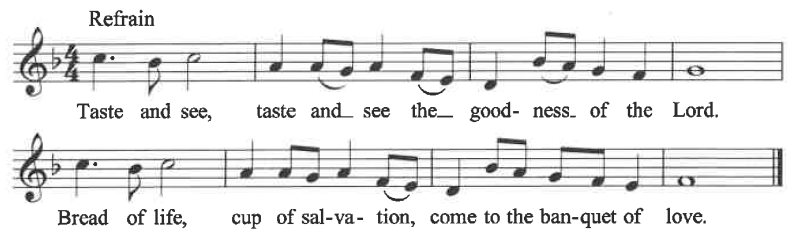
Loving and faithful God, you made the hearts of the discouraged disciples glad with the knowledge of the resurrection of Jesus. We confess that like them, we find the truth of Easter so hard to believe. Forgive us when we are easily discouraged, and given to despair. Forgive us that, although we claim to live by resurrection faith, we so often appear to believe that death is the end. Come to us, Lord God, in the power of the risen Christ. Take away our crippling doubts and fears, and through your Holy Spirit empower us to live obedient lives that make a difference for Jesus’ sake. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** GLORIA PATRI
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

ANTHEM “Taste and See” arr. Michael Helman
Michele White, Soloist
(all sing the refrain with the choir)

*Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
Bread of life, cup of salvation, come to the banquet of love.*



*Lord, you write your name upon our hearts; praise and thanks we give to you.
Come and share the Word of life and love; gracious God we give you glory. Refrain*

*Lord, you rule o’er all creation, tending all with loving hand.
You gave us your Son, the Bread of Life; Loving God we give you glory. Refrain.*

*Praise to you, O God, Creator. Praise to Christ, Redeemer, King.
Praise the Spirit who brings unity. Triune God we give you glory! Refrain*

OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children ages 3yrs – 2nd Grade, are welcome to remain in service with their parents or join us in room 3 for Children’s Church.)

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING “In the Garden” Robert A. Hobby

***DOXOLOGY—#606** OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING John 21:15-19 NRSV *(page 884)*

SERMON “A Grace-Filled Question and Our Response”
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

***HYMN #511** “Come, Behold! The Feast of Heaven” LLANFAIR

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER *(Together)*

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE CUP; THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(To symbolize our unity in Christ, we hold the bread until the Elders and Deacons are served and then all partake as one body. To symbolize our personal relation ship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit leads.)

MUSIC DURING THE SERVING

“Meditation on ADORO TE DEVOTE” Charles Callahan
Laura O’Leary, French Horn

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN #498** “Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken” BEACH SPRING

***BENEDICTION**

SUNG BLESSING “A Parting Blessing” J. Jerome Williams
(please be seated) Rachelle Cox, Soloist

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” David Cherwien

(You are invited to reflect on the worship service during the closing voluntary. If you must leave before the end of the service, please respect those who remain and leave quietly.)

**Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.*

Stephanie Carson, Music Director
Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

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ignite is a contemporary worship service at 9:30 that delivers the message of Jesus Christ through Powerful Music, Media & Scripture Based Sermons.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

PRAISE SONGS

“Unstoppable God”

“My Savior Lives”

MEET AND GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S ANTHEM

“The House of the Lord”

by Ann Kerr

Angel Choir (2nd–5th grade)

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Follow You”

VIDEO

“Love Found Me”

SCRIPTURE

John 21:15–19

MESSAGE

“A Grace-Filled Question and Our Response”

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC

“One Bread, One Body”

arr. Mark Hayes

SONG OF DEDICATION

“Glorious Day”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU