**Order of Service June 1, 2025—Pastor Richard Block Organist: Sarah Lemmer**

**Easter 7/ COMMUNION**

**Easter Shout of Joy:** *(Pastor Block)*

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**Announcements, Concerns, Joys** *(Rick)*

**Call to Worship**  *(Rick)* **Psalm 97 (Read responsively)** pew Bible p.935

**\*Thanksgiving for Baptism** (from Sundays & Seasons, copyright 2024, Augsburg Fortress)

*This is used during the season of Easter instead of the Confession*

P: In the name of +the One who was, who is, and who is to come. **C:** **Amen**.

P: baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism

*(Water may be poured before or during the Thanksgiving)*

P: Holy God,

we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that

restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

**C: Make us one as you are one.**

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One.

**C: Make us one as you are one.**

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit’s power. Baptized into you, O Living One.

**C: Make us one as you are one.**

P:Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

**C: Amen.**

\***Gathering Hymn** *Crown Him with Many Crowns (vv. 1-4)* LBW #170

**\*Kyrie** (response: **Lord, have mercy**) LBW p.78

**\*Prayer of the Day: O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Sharing the Peace**  *(Spoken only, refrain from shaking hands)*

**Receiving our Offerings of Thanksgiving**

**Offering Prayer**

P: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace, along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in this world**. C:** **Amen.**

**A reading from Acts, the 16th chapter (16:16-34)** *(Reader: Marianne)* pew Bible, p.1721

(after each reading, “The word of the Lord.” **“Thanks be to God!”**

**A reading from Revelation, the 22nd chapter (22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21)** pew Bible, p.1939

**Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia*. I will not leave you orphaned, says the Lord. I am coming to you. *Alleluia.*** *(John 14:18)*

**\*The Holy Gospel according to John, the 17th chapter (17:20-26)** pew Bible, p. 1680

Before the gospel: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

After the gospel: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

**Sermon/Homily**

**\*Hymn of the Day** *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*LBW #320

**\*The Creed** LBW, p. 85

**\*The Prayers of Intercession** (Each petition ends: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great**.)

**\*Communion** *(Assistant: Cindy)*

The Great Thanksgiving LBW, p.88

Holy, Holy, Holy LBW, p.89

The Lord’s Prayer LBW, p. 91

Lamb of God LBW, p.92

**\*Prayer after Communion**

P: Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

**C: Amen.**

**\*Blessing**

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, +Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. **C: Amen.**

\***Sending Hymn** *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (vv. 1-4)* LBW #158

**\*Dismissal**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C:** **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**