

# Service of Prayer and Preaching

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**Opening Song** – “Christ Is Risen” (*Words and Music by Matt Maher & Mia Fieldes, © 2009 Thankyou Music | spiritandsong.com | SHOUT! Music Publishing*)

*Chorus: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling over death by death,  
Come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave.  
Christ is risen from the dead, we are one with Him again,  
Come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave.*

**Opening Verses** (Common – p. 260)

**Canticle** – “Agnus Dei” (*Words & Music by Michael W. Smith © 1990 Sony/ATV Milene Music*)

Alleluia, alleluia, for our Lord God Almighty reigns.  
Alleluia, alleluia, for our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia!  
Holy, holy, are You Lord God Almighty?  
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.  
You are holy, holy, are Your Lord God Almighty?  
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb. Amen.

**Reading from Holy Scripture – 1 Peter 1:1-12**

1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who are elect exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, <sup>2</sup> according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

<sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup> obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

<sup>10</sup> Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, <sup>11</sup> inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. <sup>12</sup> It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.

**Response** (Common – p. 263)

**Catechism** – The Apostles’ Creed

**Sermon**

**Hymn** – “How Firm a Foundation” *LSB 728, St. 1-2, 4-5*

**Prayer** (p. 265)

**Collect for the Day**

“Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord’s resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.”

**Collect for the Word** (p. 265)

**Morning Prayer** (p. 266)

**Canticle** – “Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen” *LSB 474, St. 1-2, 4*

**Blessing** (p. 267)