

**Welcome!**

**St. John's  
Lutheran  
Church**

(LCMS)

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Sun. 9:15 am

**Services**

Sat. 4:00 pm  
Sat. 5:30 pm  
Sun. 8:00 am  
Sun. 10:30 am

“A Fellowship of  
Hope, Teaching,  
Serving, and  
Proclaiming”

**Pastor**

Mike Burdick

**April 18, 2021**  
Third Sunday  
of Easter

## Welcome

To our friends who know us, we renew our welcome; to the stranger, we extend our sincere greeting. If you are a visitor, please understand that you are our guest and we want you to feel welcome and comfortable. We are happy you chose to be with us in this service, and pray you have been blessed by our Lord today as He has blessed us by your presence.

### Those Who Serve Us

|  |   |
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| Each Member of St. John's .....                | The Body of Christ                          |
| Rev. Mike Burdick .....                        | Pastor                                      |
| Rev. Gary Fortkamp .....                       | Visitation Pastor                           |
| Mrs. Sandy Esker .....                         | Preschool Director                          |
| Mr. Jamie Lotz .....                           | Organist                                    |
| Mrs. Holly Adams .....                         | Song Leader                                 |
| St. John's Praise Band .....                   | 10:30am Music                               |
| Acolytes .....                                 | Hank Sipe and Jake Niebrugge                |
| Mr. Jim Schroeder .....                        | 4:00pm Elder on Duty                        |
| Mr. Jeff Stremming .....                       | 5:30pm Elder on Duty                        |
| Mr. Howard Janis .....                         | 8:00am Elder on Duty                        |
| Mr. Jeff Weis .....                            | 10:30am Elder on Duty                       |
| Mr. Dave Worman 217-821-7819 .....             | Elder on Duty for April 19 – April 23       |
| Chatelain School & Baja School .....           | Our Schools for feeding in Haiti            |
| Ms. Janet Martins .....                        | Stephen Ministry Leader                     |
| Mrs. Julie Scott .....                         | (1-217-343-3047) Prayer Partner Coordinator |
| State, National & International Missions ..... | through our District and Synod              |

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## Order of Service

*You will find the songs for our 10:30am Service in italics.*

### **When We Love**

*- Preservice #1*

*Hey, are we listening?  
There's someone crying out right now  
And yeah, we all know what it feels like  
When up is really upside down  
Everybody's got their story  
The hard days and the long nights  
Everybody needs somebody  
Now might be the time*

*When we love, when we love, when we love  
someone  
We're the evidence, the evidence of You  
When we love like You love, we can see You  
move  
You're alive in us when we love someone*

*Hey, I keep thinking  
Life is more than where we are  
So come on, let's be part of something  
Something that can change somebody's heart  
Cause everybody's got their story  
The heartbreaks and the hard times  
And everybody needs somebody  
Standing by their side*

*When we love, when we love, when we love  
someone  
We're the evidence, the evidence of You  
When we love like You love, we can see You  
move  
You're alive in us when we love someone*

*So God give me a heart like Yours  
Help me to look at the world like You do  
I wanna be caught up in Your love  
Cause Your love is enough to mend the most  
broken of lives  
Please God, help me to love like You  
Help me to love like You  
Help me to love like You*

*When we love, when we love, when we love  
someone  
We're the evidence, the evidence of You  
When we love like You love, we can see You  
move  
You're alive in us when we love someone*

*When we love someone  
When we love someone  
When we love someone  
When we love someone*

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## ***How Can It Be***

*Preservice #2*

*I am guilty  
Ashamed of what I've done what I've become  
These hands are dirty  
I dare not lift them up  
To the Holy One*

*You plead my cause  
You right my wrongs  
You break my chains You overcome  
You gave Your life  
To give me mine  
You say that I am free  
How can it be  
How can it be*

*I've been hiding  
Afraid I've let You down  
Inside I doubt  
That You could love me  
But in Your eyes  
There's only grace now*

*You plead my cause  
You right my wrongs  
You break my chains You overcome  
You gave Your life*

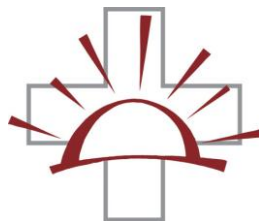
*To give me mine  
You say that I am free  
How can it be  
How can it be*

*Though I fall You can make me new  
From this death I will rise with You  
Oh the grace reaching out for me  
How can it be  
How can it be*

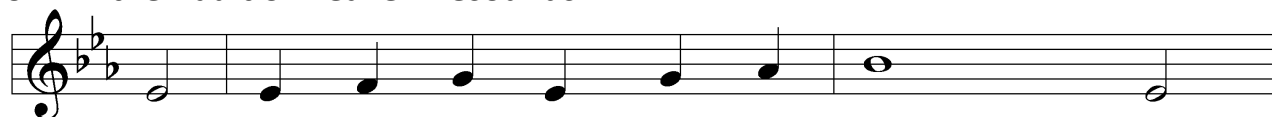
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To give me mine  
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You gave Your life  
To give me mine  
You say that I am free  
How can it be  
How can it be*

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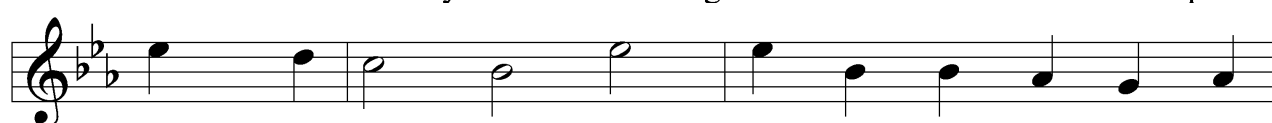
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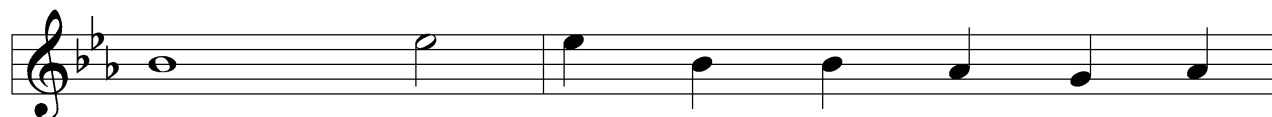
1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds In  
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, There -  
 3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set  
 Δ 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And



praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!  
 fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!  
 heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer  
 with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!



He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and  
 He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us  
 through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's  
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
 life And by His pres - ence stills all  
 day That by our lives we tru - ly  
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"  
 strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!  
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
 God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## **God is so Good**

- Opening Song

*God is so good,  
God is so good,  
God is so good,  
He's so good to me*

*I praise His name,  
I praise His name,  
I praise His name,  
He's so good to me*

*He cares for me,  
He cares for me,  
He cares for me,  
He's so good to me*

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## **Confession & Absolution**

*1 John 3:1; Psalm 30:4–5; 16:11b*

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

C **Amen.**

P “See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.” Gracious Lord, by Your name You have called us Your own children, and we are to pray, praise, and give thanks to You.

C **Yet we often choose not to see the love You have given to us, letting other things of this world impede our vision of Your mercy and grace in Christ. We do not always live as You have called us to be as Your children.**

P We confess our sins to You in repentance, turning from those things that lead us away, turning back to You in the love You’ve shown...

*Silence for reflection.*

P Almighty and ever-merciful Lord,

C **we are by nature sinful and unclean. We confess our many sins, as we have not followed You joyfully and trustingly. We have not loved others as You have first loved us, and our thoughts, words, and deeds have not always been pleasing to You. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us to delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.**

P Sing praises to the Lord, O you His saints,

C **and give thanks to His holy name.**

P For His anger is but for a moment, and His favor is for a lifetime.

C **Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

P In Your presence there is fullness of joy;

C **at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

- P “See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.” 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit. As His children, may He keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit and grant you a renewed life on earth and finally a triumphant life with Him in heaven forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

## Kyrie

- A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C **Amen.**
- A Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: **He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

**This Is the Feast (4:00, 5:30, 8:00)**

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*Refrain:* **This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

*Refrain*

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.**

*Refrain*

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

*Refrain*

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia!      *Final Refrain***

## Collect of the Day

P Let us pray. O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## First Reading

*Acts 3:11–21*

<sup>11</sup>While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. <sup>12</sup>And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

<sup>17</sup>"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, <sup>20</sup>that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, <sup>21</sup>whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*1 John 3:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



## Children's Sermon

### Alleluia and Verse

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### Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36–49

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>36</sup>As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!” <sup>37</sup>But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate before them.

<sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

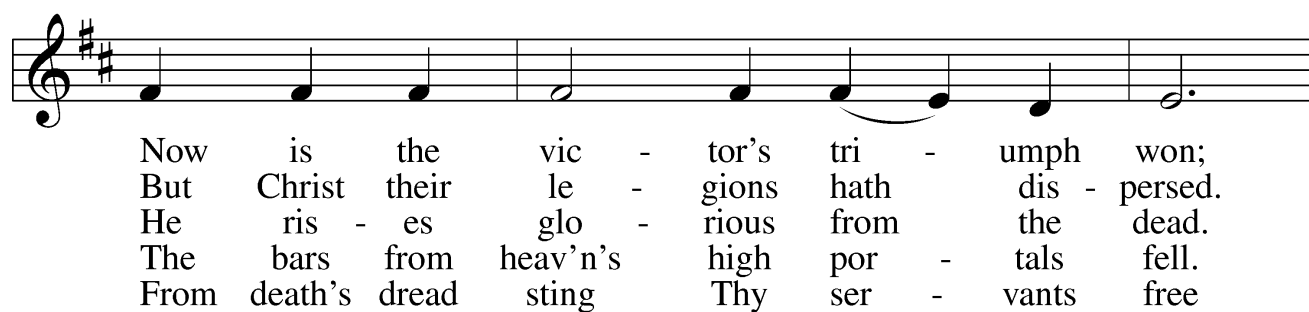
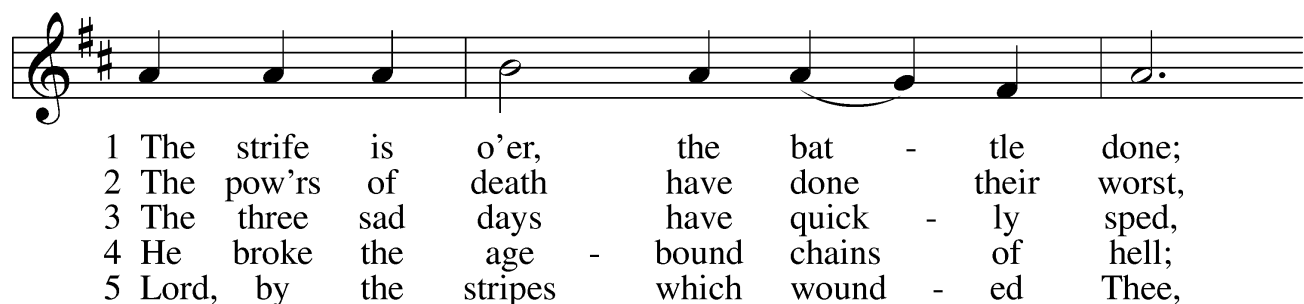
## Apostles' Creed

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.

### 464 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done



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## ***This I Believe (The Creed)***

- Sermon Song

*Our Father everlasting  
The all creating One  
God Almighty*

*Through Your Holy Spirit  
Conceiving Christ the Son  
Jesus our Saviour*

*I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in one  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

*Our Judge and our Defender  
Suffered and crucified  
Forgiveness is in You*

*Descended into darkness  
You rose in glorious life  
Forever seated high*

*I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in one  
I believe in the resurrection*

*That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

*I believe in You  
I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord*

*I believe in You  
I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord*

*I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in one  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

*I believe in life eternal  
I believe in the virgin birth  
I believe in the saints' communion  
And in Your holy Church  
I believe in the resurrection  
When Jesus comes again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

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**Sermon**

***"Stand Together in Repentance and Refreshment"***  
**Acts 3:11-21**

## **Welcome of New Members (8:00 & 10:30)**



**Curtis Baginski  
Kent & Niki Bishop  
Matt Gordon  
Lillian Harstine  
Doug, Kristin, Kendall and Lincoln Jackson  
Marsha Klussman  
Curt & Lori Meseke  
Jack & Linda Miller  
Rylee Rothrock  
Doug, Julie, Ruby, Ethel and malachi Stuckemeyer  
Tanner Veach  
Becky Wenthe**

## **Prayer of the Church**

### **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.**

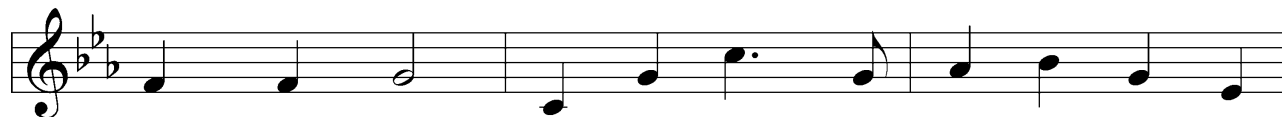
## **Benediction**



## 828 We Are Called to Stand Together



1 We are called to stand to - geth - er With the saints of  
 2 Those whom Je - sus called a - pos - tles Jour - neyed with Him  
 3 Through the in - ter - ven - ing a - ges Round the world the  
 4 Now in man - y tongues and cul - tures Songs of cel - e -  
 5 To each com - ing gen - er - a - tion Tell the truth, per -



a - ges past, With the pa - tri - archs and proph - ets  
 side by side, Heard His teach - ing, felt His pow - er,  
 Gos - pel spread: Faith - ful her - alds took the mes - sage,  
 bra - tion ring; Mil - lions who con - fess our Sav - ior  
 suade, ex - plain, Till the time when time is end - ed,



In the faith they once held fast; Prom - is - es and  
 Saw the way He lived and died; Then the news of  
 Guid - ed where the Spir - it led; So the bod - y  
 Hon - or Him as Lord and King And, for cour - age,  
 Till the Sav - ior comes a - gain— Till the saints are



hopes they trea - sured Now we find ful - filled at last!  
 res - ur - rec - tion They de - liv - ered far and wide.  
 grew in stat - ure, Serv - ing Christ, the liv - ing head.  
 grace and guid - ance Ev - 'ry day their prayers they bring.  
 all u - nit - ed Un - der Christ's e - ter - nal reign!

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*I'm casting my cares aside.  
I'm leaving my past behind.  
I'm setting my heart and mind on You, Jesus.  
I'm reaching my hands to Yours,  
believing there's so much more,  
Knowing that all You have in store for me  
is good, it's good.*

*Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
And I won't worry about tomorrow;  
I'm trusting in what You say.  
Today is the day. Today is the day.*

*I'm putting my fears aside.  
I'm leaving my doubts behind.  
I'm giving my hopes and dreams to You, Jesus.  
I'm reaching my hands to Yours,  
believing there's so much more,  
Knowing that all You have in store for me  
is good, it's good.*

*Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.*

*And I won't worry about tomorrow;  
I'm trusting in what You say.  
Today is the day. Today is the day.*

*I will stand upon Your truth.  
(I will stand upon Your truth.)  
And all my days, I'll live for You.  
(All my days, I'll live for You.)  
And I will stand upon Your truth.  
(I will stand upon Your truth.)  
And all my days, I'll live for You.  
(All my days, I'll live.)*

*Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
And I won't worry about tomorrow.  
I'm giving You my fears and sorrows.  
Where You lead me, I will follow;  
I'm trusting in what You say.*

*Today is the day.  
Today is the day.  
Today is the day.  
Today is the day.  
Today is the day.*

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## **Postlude**

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