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**Wednesday Service**

**April 19, 2023, 7:00 pm**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**OPENING**

**HYMN OF LIGHT Soli Deo Gloria ELW 878**

**THANKSGIVING OF LIGHT**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you called light into being, and you set light in the sky to govern night and day.

In a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night you led your people into freedom. Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ: may your Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for you are merciful, and you love your whole creation, and with all your creatures we give you glory, through your Son Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen**

**PSALMODY: Psalm 118:1-2,14-24**

1Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;  
  God’s mercy endures forever.  
 2**Let Israel now declare,**  
  **“God’s mercy endures forever.”**  
 14The Lord is my strength and my song,  
  and has become my salvation.  
 15**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:**  
  **“The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!**  
 16The right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
  The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!”  
 17**I shall not die, but live,**  
  **and declare the works of the Lord.**  
 18The Lord indeed punished me sorely,  
  but did not hand me over to death.  
 19**Open for me the gates of righteousness;**  
  **I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.**  
 20“This is the gate of the Lord;  
  here the righteous may enter.”  
 21**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me**  
  **and you have become my salvation.**  
 22The stone that the builders rejected  
  has become the chief cornerstone.  
 23**By the Lord has this been done;**  
  **it is marvelous in our eyes.**  
 24This is the day that the Lord has made;  
  let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**HYMN Blessing, Honor, and Glory ELW 433**

**REFLECTION**

Jesus said, I am the Light of the world.

**Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness.**

**OFFERING** *(Which is located in the narthex) In addition to our normal offering, a* ***Special Benevolence in April*** *(collected in a special envelope) will go to* ***Orenda Center - PDC****.*

**HYMN Give Thanks**

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| Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.  Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son. |
| And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich,"  because of what the Lord has done for us.  Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.  Give thanks, give thanks. |

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Description automatically generated**PRAYER**

Giving thanks for all who have gone before us and are at rest rejoicing in the communion of all the saints, we commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to you, through Christ our Lord.

**To you, O Lord.**

**LORD’S PRAYER**

**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.**

**BLESSING**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus.

**Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN My Life Flows On in Endless Song ELW 763**

(You are encouraged to share the peace of Christ with one another.)