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#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER/ BAPTISM OF OAKLEY RUSSELL

Divine Service – Setting Two May 8, 2022 10:30 a.m.

#### Welcome & Announcements

+ INVOCATION + LSB 167 The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P We begin in the name into which we are baptized; In the name of the Father and of the X Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen. *Matthew* 28:19b; [18:20]

**Opening Song** 

(requested) On Screen "King of Kings"

#### Verse 1

In the darkness we were waiting Without hope, without light Till from heaven You came running There was mercy in Your eyes To fulfill the law and prophets To a virgin came the Word From a throne of endless glory To a cradle in the dirt

#### Chorus

Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit, three in one God of glory, majesty, Praise forever to the King of Kings

#### Verse 2

To reveal the kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross For even in Your suffering You saw to the other side Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake You died

#### Chorus

Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit, three in one God of glory, majesty, Praise forever to the King of Kings

#### Verse 3

And the morning that You rose All of heaven held its breath Till that stone was moved for good For the Lamb had conquered death And the dead rose from their tombs And the angels stood in awe For the souls of all who'd come To the Father are restored

#### Verse 4

And the Church of Christ was born Then the Spirit lit the flame Now this gospel truth of old Shall not kneel, shall not faint By His blood and in His name In His freedom I am free For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me

#### Chorus

Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit, three in one God of glory, majesty, Praise forever to the King of Kings Praise forever to the King of Kings

#### + HOLY BAPTISM +

(This rite occurs in the place of Confession and Absolution reminding us all that our sin is washed away in the cleansing flood of Baptism as promised in God's Holy Word) (1 Peter 3:21, Acts 22:16, Rom 6:1-11)

When candidates are unable to speak for themselves, the sponsors and parents answer the questions on their behalf. Matthew 28:18b-19; Mark 16:16a; 1 Peter 3:21 **P** Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

The pastor addresses the candidate:

- **P** How are you named?
- **R** Oakley Russell Burris.

The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of the candidate while saying:

**P** Oakley, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your  $\checkmark$  forehead and upon your  $\checkmark$  heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hardhearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold Oakley according to Your boundless mercy and bless him with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in him which has been inherited from Adam, or has been committed, would be drowned and die. Grant that he be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, he will be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

#### **C** Amen.

Stand

Mark 10:13-16

**P** Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

13 People were bringing little children to Jesus to have Him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them.

14 When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. 15 I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it."

16 And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.

- - **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

The pastor places his hand on the head of the candidate, as the congregation joins in praying:

**P 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.

P The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even ★ forevermore.



Speaking for Oakley the congregation answers the following three Creedal questions:

**P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

## **C** Yes, I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?

**C** Yes, I believe 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 quick and the dead.

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
C Yes, 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.

Sit

The pastor addresses the sponsors: **P** From ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates. In the **Evangelical Lutheran Church sponsors** confess the faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are to pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them toward the faithful reception of the Lord's Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor.

P Is it your intention to serve Oakley as sponsors in the Christian faith?
R Yes, with the help of God.

P God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.
C Amen.

The pastor addresses the candidate and asks the following questions that the parents and sponsors reply to:

- **P** Oakley, do you renounce the devil?
- **R** Yes, I renounce him.

**P** Do you renounce all his works and all his ways?

**R** Yes, I renounce them.

P Oakley, do you desire to be baptized?
R Yes, I do.

The pastor pours water three times on the head of the candidate while saying:
P Oakley Russell Burris, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the I Son and of the Holy Spirit.

#### **C** Amen.

The pastor places his hand on the head of the newly baptized while saying:

P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life ★ everlasting.
C Amen.

The pastor places a white cloth on the newly baptized while saying:

P Receive this white cloth to show that you have been clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covers all your sin. So shall you stand without fear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the inheritance prepared for you before the foundation of the world.

The pastor lights the baptismal candle and gives it to the newly baptized while saying:
P Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy

and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

**A** In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you both a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our brother in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. **C** Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

Stand

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Oakley the new birth in Holy Baptism. We humbly implore You that, as he has now become Your child, You would keep him in his baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure he may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C** Amen.

- Peace ➡ be with you.
- **C** Amen.

#### All return to their places.

#### Sit Hymn LSB 550 sts. 1-3 "Lamb of God" 1 Your on - ly Son, sin hide, But You no to have they cru - ci - fied, 2 Your Gift They laughed and of love I should have 3 I was so lost, died. But You have walk up - on Him from Your side this sent To guilt - y The hum-ble King they named scorned Him He died: as а Your side brought me to То be led by Your staff and God. And Lamb of sod. to be - come the And sac - ri - ficed fraud, the Lamb of God. rod, And to be called lamb of God. а Refrain O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God! O wash me His pre-cious blood, My Je-sus Christ, the Lamb of God. in

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#### + SERVICE OF THE WORD + LSB 168 Introit

Ps. 78:70-72; 79:13; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b

**P** I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

C He chose David his servant and took him from the sheepfolds; from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel his inheritance.

**P** With upright heart he shepherded them and guided them with his skillful hand.

**G** But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation we will recount your praise.

# **P G** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**P** I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.









**Salutation and Collect of the Day** *LSB 172* **P** The Lord be with you.

#### **C** And also with you.

▶ Let us pray. Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd, we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **C** Amen.

Sit

#### **First Reading**

Acts 20:17-35

17 From Miletus, Paul sent to Ephesus for the elders of the church. 18 When they arrived, he said to them: "You know how I lived the whole time I was with you, from the first day I came into the province of Asia. 19 I served the Lord with great humility and with tears and in the midst of severe testing by the plots of my Jewish opponents.

20 You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that would be helpful to you but have taught you publicly and from house to house. 21 I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus.

22 "And now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there. 23 I only know that in every city the Holy Spirit warns me that prison and hardships are facing me.
24 However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the

race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me – the task of testifying to the good news of God's grace.

25 "Now I know that none of you among whom I have gone about preaching the kingdom will ever see me again.

26 Therefore, I declare to you today that I am innocent of the blood of any of you.

27 For I have not hesitated to proclaim to you the whole will of God. 28 Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood.

29 I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. 30 Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. 31 So be on your guard! Remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears.

32 "Now I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. 33 I have not coveted anyone's silver or gold or clothing. 34 You yourselves know that these hands of mine have supplied my own needs and the needs of my companions. 35 In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive."



**A** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual adapt. from Matt. 28:8; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6 **A C** Christ has risen from the dead. [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor, He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; He has put all things under his feet.

**Second Reading** Revelation 7:9-17 9 After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. 10 And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." 11 All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 saying:

"Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!" 13 Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes – who are they, and where did they come from?" 14 I answered, "Sir, you know." And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15 Therefore, "they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. 16 'Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,' nor any scorching heat. 17 For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; 'he will lead them to springs of living water.' 'And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.""

## A This is the Word of the Lord.C Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Praise

LSB 687 sts. 1-5

"Thine Forever, God of Love"



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22 Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, 23 and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade. 24 The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." 25 Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, 26 but you do not believe because you are not

my sheep. 27 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. 30 I and the Father are one."



Sit LSB 709 sts. 1-3, 6 *Hymn of the Day* "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" of love my shep - herd Whose good - ness King is, The 2 Where streams of ing My liv flow, wa ter ran - somed 3 Per - verse and fool ish oft Ι strayed, But vet in



6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

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#### Sermon Pastor Tom Rhodes "Recognizing the Lamb of God...Each Day"

#### Stand

#### Prayer of the ChurchLSB 175

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

Brief Silence

P For the Holy Spirit in rich measure, that daily seeing Christ, our Shepherd, in our lives we would hear His voice leading us through all circumstance on our way to our eternal heavenly home, let us pray to the Lord:

#### **C** Lord, have mercy.

In thanksgiving for the gift of family, that You would bless this day especially those who have shown us a mother's love, all mothers with child, all those who have suffered miscarriage or the death of a child, and all those who have yearned for a child and lived with the pain of this unfulfilled longing, let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

P For wise and faithful leaders, that they would govern in our land according to Your Law, defending the lives of the unborn, the orphaned and the widowed, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

● For the sick, the suffering and the dying, especially those on our prayer list and cards, that You would deliver and comfort us, guard us against despair, and grant us patience in the days of our trouble as we await Your perfect healing, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

**P** That we remain in the joy of our baptismal grace along with Oakley, living in the forgiveness of sins and the power of

endless life through our Lord Jesus Christ,
and that we would live out our baptismal
lives in repentance, in the one true faith,
let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

**P** For faith to endure the tribulations of this life and pass through death to join the saints in the ceaseless praises of heaven, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

P All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

#### Offering

#### LSB 176

In quiet devotion and responding in personal stewardship of God's abundant provision to you, please use the offering plate in the back as you enter or exit. (This is just as it says: An offering to God through His church. As a reassurance to those in worship today, especially our guests this is not an obligation - the good news of Jesus is free to all!)





Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9-13, LSB 179P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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** Numbers 6:24-26, LSB 183 P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\bigstar$  give you peace. C Amen.





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