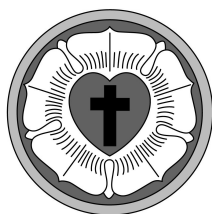


Brighton Lutheran Mission



Jubilate
(Fourth Sunday of Easter)
11 May 2014

Welcome to Brighton Lutheran Mission!

**May God bless you richly as we
gather together to receive His gifts.**

Please stay behind for a cup of tea or
coffee afterwards. This is followed
by a Bible study.

Holy Communion

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, we eat and drink the actual body and blood of Jesus in and with the bread and the wine, according to Jesus' own words. We also believe that those who participate in Holy Communion in a particular congregation should be in agreement in the confession of the faith.

Therefore, we ask that only those who are instructed in the Lutheran Confessions and are under our pastor's spiritual care come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

If you are visiting us and wish to receive the Lord's Supper, please speak to the pastor *before the service*. Everyone is welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Our teaching on this matter is explained in more detail in the little leaflet, 'Why Closed Communion?', which is available from the pastor.

Thank you for honouring our beliefs.

Explanation of Symbols:

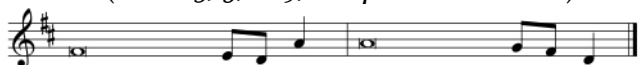
- P** Pastor
- C** Congregation
- ✠ You may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism.
- ❖ You may bow at this point as a sign of reverence.

Hymns: 501, 483, 603, 793

Catechism

- P** The Sacrament of the Altar: Who receives this sacrament worthily?
- C** Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins”. But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe.

Introit (*Ps. 66:3, 5, 8–9; antiphon: Ps. 66:1–2*)



- P** Shout for joy to God, all the earth. Alle- | luia!*
sing the glory of his name; give to him
glorious praise! Alle- | luia!
- C** Say to God, “How awesome | are your
deeds!”
So great is your power that your
enemies come cringing | to you.”
Come and see what | God has done:.*
he is awesome in his deeds towards the
chil- | dren of man.
Bless our God, O | peoples;.*
let the sound of his | praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the | living*
and has not let our | feet slip.
- ❖ *Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit,
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.*
- P** Shout for joy to God, all the earth. Alle- | luia!*
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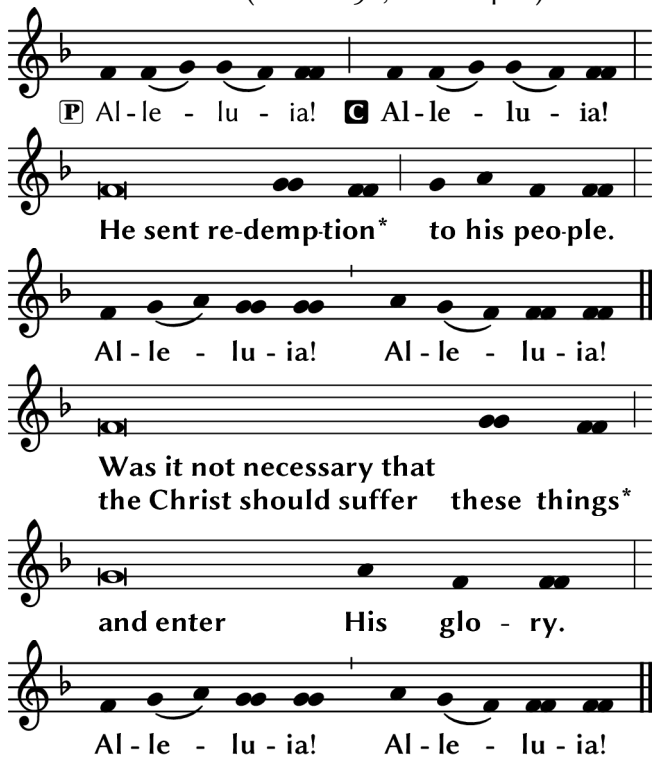
Collect of the Day

Almighty God, You show those in error the light of Your truth so that they may return to the way of righteousness. Grant faithfulness to all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ’s Church that they may avoid whatever is contrary to their confession and follow all such things as are pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading—Isaiah 40:25–31

Epistle Reading—1 Peter 2:11–20

Alleluia & Verse (Ps. 111:9a; Luke 24:26)



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

He sent re - demp - tion* to his people.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Was it not necessary that
the Christ should suffer these things*

and enter His glo - ry.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score is written on six staves in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are simple, using quarter and eighth notes with stems. The lyrics are placed below the corresponding staves. The first staff has a 'P' in a square and a 'C' in a square before the lyrics. The piece ends with a double bar line on the sixth staff.

Gospel Reading—Matthew 17:1–9

IN OUR PRAYERS

Candidates for Baptism and Confirmation

Sindija, Nicola (baptism); Richard, Annabelle (confirmation)

Ascension Lutheran Church; Pr. Samiec; Pr. McNally (cancer); Pr. Fry (health); Pr. Roger Jones (stroke); India Evangelical Lutheran Church; Holland Road Baptist Church, Pr. David Treneer; Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD SMALCALD ARTICLES: PART III ARTICLE III: REPENTANCE

The New Testament keeps and urges this office <of the Law>, This is God's thunderbolt. By the Law He strikes down both obvious sinners and false saints. He declares no one to be in the right, but drives them all together to terror and despair. This is the hammer. As Jeremiah says, "Is not My word like ... a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?" (23:29). This is not active contrition or manufactured repentance. It is passive contrition, true sorrow of heart, suffering, and the sensation of death.

This is what true repentance means. Here a person needs to hear something like this, "You are all of no account, whether you are obvious sinners or saints <in your own opinions>. You have to become different from what you are now. You have to act differently than you are now acting, whether you are as great, wise, powerful, and holy as you can be. Here no one is godly."

But to this office of the Law, the New Testament immediately adds the consoling promise of grace through the Gospel. This must be believed. As Christ

declares, “Repent and believe in the gospel” (Mark 1:15). That is, become different, act differently, and believe My promise. John the Baptist (preceding Christ) is called a preacher of repentance, but this is for the forgiveness of sins. That is, John was to accuse all and convict them of being sinners. This is so they can know what they are before God and acknowledge that they are lost. So they can be prepared for the Lord to receive grace and to expect and accept from Him the forgiveness of sins. This is what Christ Himself says, “Repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in [My] name to all nations” (Luke 24:47).

Whenever the Law alone exercises its office, without the Gospel being added, there is nothing but death and hell, and one must despair, as Saul and Judas did. St. Paul says, through sin the Law kills. On the other hand, the Gospel brings consolation and forgiveness. Paragraph 1–8

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**God willing, the next service
will be held on
1 June 2014 at 4.30 pm
The next Bible study will be on
Friday, 23 May at 3 pm.**

INVITATION

Sindy and Nicola will be baptised, and Richard and Annabelle confirmed, at Our Saviour Lutheran Church in Fareham on Sunday 8 June at 10:30 am.

All are warmly invited to join us for the service, and the lunch reception afterwards.