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PRAYER UPON ENTERING

My Lord Jesus Christ, You are indeed the only Shepherd, and I am the lost and straying sheep. I am anxious and afraid. I learn that You are as anxious for me as I am for You. I am eager to know how I can come to You for help. Anxiously, You desire above all else to bring me back to Yourself again. Then come to me. Seek and find me. Help me also to come to You and praise and honor you forever. Amen.

(Martin Luther)

THE PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS (Luke 15:11-32) Jesus reveals to the world an all-important aspect of the Kingdom He is ushering in – the Kingdom of Grace and Forgiveness that will be fulfilled by His death upon the Cross. This parable, most commonly referred to as "The Parable of the Prodigal Son" comes powerfully to each of us this morning with a one-two punch. The Word of God comes to shock us, both with the undeserved grace and loving-kindness of our Heavenly Father, and also with the sobering warning against any human pride in the grace we have received and any false belief that we are more deserving of God's rich and abundant favor than someone else. May each of us begin this new day in repentance, confessing back to our God what He has first revealed to us in this parable – the revelation summarized in the beautiful hymn "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" (*Lutheran Service Book* 609):

Jesus sinners doth receive: Oh, may all this saying ponder Who in sin's delusions live.

And from God and heaven wander! Here is hope for all who grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.

We deserve but grief and shame. Yet his words, rich grace revealing, Pardon, peace, and life proclaim.

Here our ills have perfect healing; Firmly in these words believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.

Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shepherd e'er forsaketh; Weary souls that lost their way

Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh In His arms that they may live: Jesus sinners doth receive.

I, a sinner, come to Thee, With a penitent confession. Savior, mercy show to me;

Grant for all my sins remission. Let these words my soul relieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.

Oh, how blest it is to know; Were as scarlet my transgression, It shall be as white as snow

By Thy blood and bitter passion; For these words I now believe; Jesus sinners doth receive.

Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted. Christ hath purchased my release

And my ev'ry sin remitted. Naught remains my soul to grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.

Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven; And when I this earth must leave,

I shall find an open heaven. Dying, still to Him I cleave: Jesus sinners doth receive.

PRELUDE

OPENING VERSE

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

Cong.: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

(Psalm 118:24)

✠ PREPARATION ✠

Pastor: O Lord. Open my lips,

Cong.: **and my mouth will declare Your praise.**

HYMN “Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” [LSB hymn 440]



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;
2 Make me see Your great dis - tress, An - guish, and af - flic - tion,
3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone Make me see Your pas - sion,
4 Grant that I Your pas - sion view With re - pen - tant griev - ing.



With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.
Bonds and stripes and wretch - ed - ness And Your cru - ci - fix - ion;
But its cause to me make known And its ter - mi - na - tion.
Let me not bring shame to You By un - ho - ly liv - ing.



Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,
Ah! I al - so and my sin Wrought Your deep af - flic - tion;
How could I re - fuse to shun Ev - 'ry sin - ful plea - sure



Of Your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.
How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.
This in - deed the cause has been Of Your cru - ci - fix - ion.
Since for me God's on - ly Son Suf - fered with - out mea - sure?

5 If my sins give me alarm
And my conscience grieve me,
Let Your cross my fear disarm;
Peace of conscience give me.
Help me see forgiveness won
By Your holy passion.
If for me He slays His Son,
God must have compassion!

6 Graciously my faith renew;
Help me bear my crosses,
Learning humbleness from You,
Peace mid pain and losses.
May I give You love for love!
Hear me, O my Savior,
That I may in heav'n above
Sing Your praise forever.

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

(Matthew 28:19b)

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

(Hebrews 10:22)

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Cong.: who made heaven and earth.

(Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

Cong.: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Psalm 32:5)

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

Cong.: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong.: Amen.

(John 20:19-23)

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT

(Psalm 51:2-6; *antiphon*: Psalm 51:1)

Pastor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

Cong.: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Pastor: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment..

**Cong.: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
and in sin did my mother conceive me.**

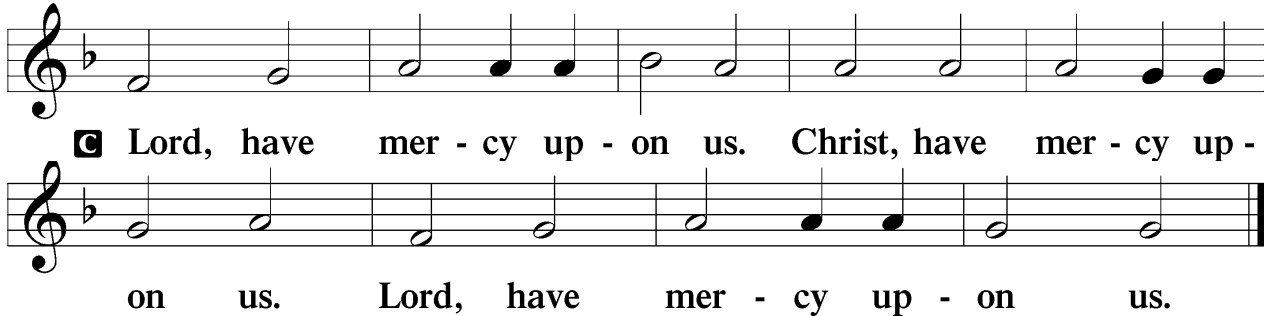
Pastor: Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

**All: 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.**

Pastor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

KYRIE

(Mark 10:47)



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

SALUTATION

(2 Timothy 4:22)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And with your spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

Sit

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Elder: The Lord be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

You will say in that day:

“I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

“Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.”

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the LORD,
call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

“Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Epistle (page 966 in the pew Bibles)

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

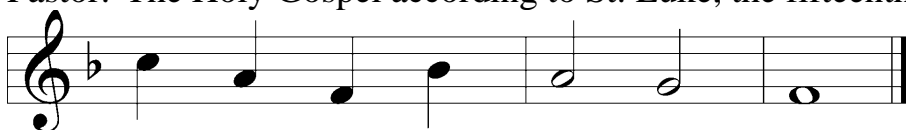
2 Corinthians 5:16–21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.



G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

Holy Gospel (page 874 in the pew Bibles)

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable:

And he said, “There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.’” And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living
and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

“God Loved the World So That He Gave” [LSB hymn 571]



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made
 3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in
 flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in
 sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the
 sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
 Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.
 Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.
 Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

5 If you are sick, if death is near,
 This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
 Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
 That is the firmest ground of faith.

△ 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
 To You, O blessèd Trinity,
 Be praise now and eternally!

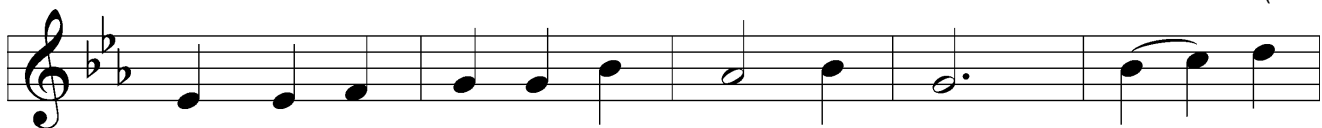
SERMON

“New in the Forgiveness of Christ”

(Pastor Jim Toma)

OFFERTORY

(Psalm 51:10-12)

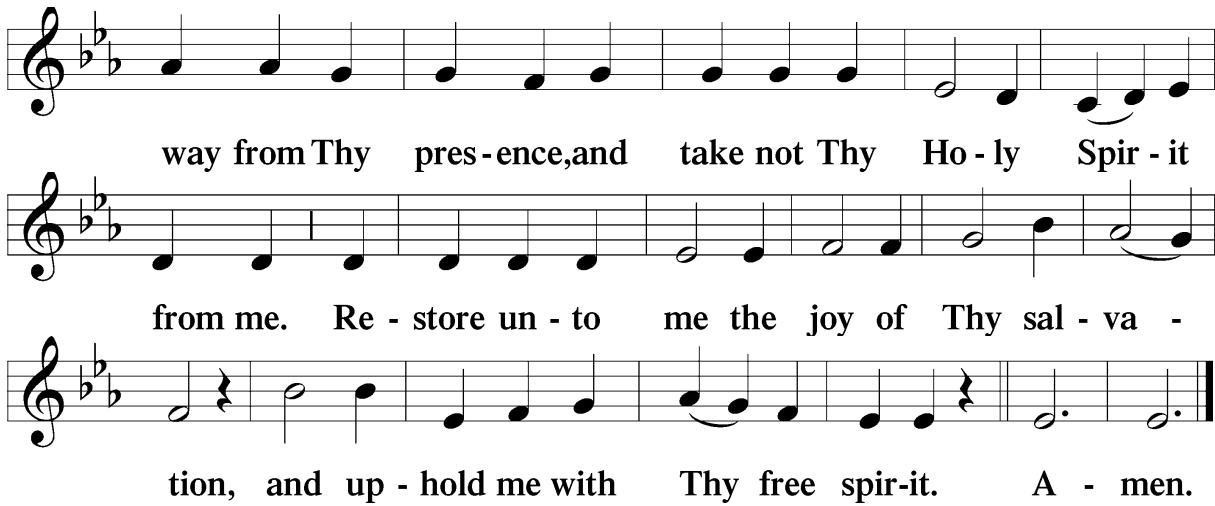


☐ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

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way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

OFFERING

You may place your offering in the plate as you exit the service.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

Pastor: *Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.*

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love. Give us a proper knowledge of the evil we have done in Your sight, move us to confess our offenses against You, and justify us by Your holy absolution. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Father in heaven, You welcome us into Your family for the sake of Your Son. Call us to repentance when we wander from Your ways or believe we have earned a place in Your household by our works, and return us to the confident joy that in Christ alone we are found and alive. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We thank You, Lord God Almighty, that You have made Your deeds known among us. Bless pastors, teachers, musicians and all church workers in their daily labors to make known Your deeds among the peoples. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, we are brought forth in iniquity and conceived in sin. Make us ever grateful that in Holy Baptism You forgive and enliven even the smallest child, and that for Jesus' sake You wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, in Christ You were reconciling the world to Yourself. Watch over our nation and all whom You have placed in authority. Give them wisdom and prudence, that Your people might live in peace and freely make known the message of reconciliation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, hear our prayers for all who cry out to You for mercy, healing and help *including*... Deliver them according to Your will and, as You have made them a new creation in Christ, keep them mindful of the day when sorrow and sickness will be no more. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel, who visits us this day with His body and blood! Give to all who partake of this holy communion penitent hearts that properly receive Christ Jesus as their strength and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord of glory, fill the hearts of Your people in all their various callings with the joy of Your salvation, that they may make it known in all the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong.: hear our prayer.

Pastor: *Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

Cong.: Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE



P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)



C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.

(Colossians 3:1)



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

(Psalm 136)



C It is meet and right so to do.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly meet, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6: 9-13)

Pastor: Remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

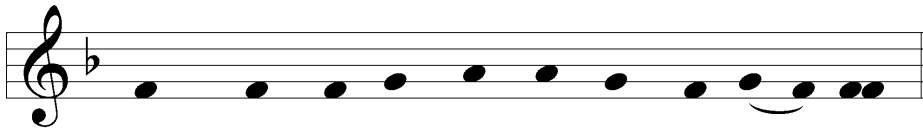
(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

(John 20:19)



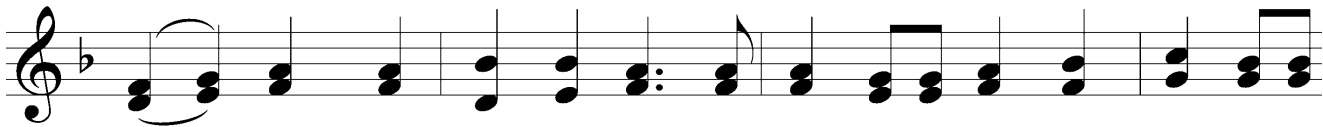
P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

(John 1:29)



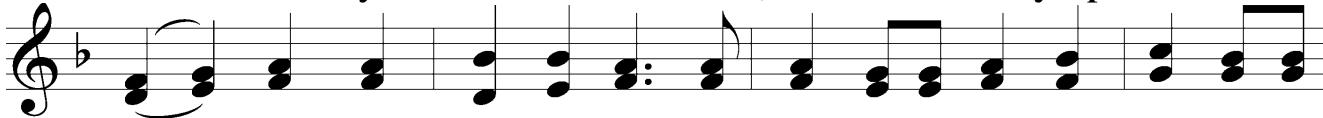
C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this altar in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor of this congregation. For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.

What actually is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) should be received, after proper instruction and preparation, in the sure and certain confidence that Jesus Christ is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine to forgive the sin of all who receive him in repentance (according to 1Corinthians 10:14-17; 11:17-33; Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-30). Please review the questions on pages 326-27 and 329-330 in the front part of "Lutheran Service Book" for a proper understanding of this holy meal.

Who may properly come to the Lord's Supper?

You are invited to receive Christ's true body and blood if you:

- have been Baptized into the name of the Triune God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit);
- repent of your sin against God and recognize your need to forgive others as God has forgiven you;
- put your trust in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation;
- are old enough to examine your own faith and life (according to 1Corinthians 11:27-32);
- believe in the words of Jesus himself when he declares that his Body and Blood are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine, offering life, salvation and the forgiveness of sins;
- sincerely intend to live a God-pleasing life in accordance with God's will as revealed in the Bible;
- have received instruction about the Supper at a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregation.

I now come to the Lord's Table having read, understood and agreed with these beliefs.

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNING

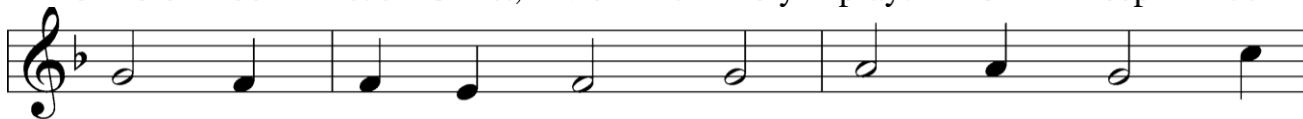
*Almighty Lord Jesus Christ,
as often as I shall come
to Your holy table to refresh my spirit,
I pray You to make me,
unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace;
impure as I am, to make me clean;
naked as I am, to clothe me,
so that Your body, so full of divine power,
and Your most precious blood may not become for me, Your servant,
the occasion for judgment or punishment,
but a memorial of the death You underwent for me,
a strengthening of my faith,
a proof of the taking away of my sins,
a bond of closer union with You and Your people,
an increase of holiness,
the basis of a glad resurrection,
and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray” [LSB hymn 623]



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray That we may
 2 Give us, who share this won - drous food, Your bod - y
 3 By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the
 4 One bread, one cup, one bod - y, we, Re - joic - ing
 5 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray: O keep us



feast on You to - day; Be - neath these forms of
 bro - ken and Your blood, The grate - ful peace of
 gift of love re - told; All that You are we
 in our u - ni - ty, Pro - claim Your love un -
 stead - fast till that day When each will be Your



bread and wine En - rich us with Your grace di - vine.
 sins for - giv'n, The cer - tain joys of heirs of heav'n.
 here re - ceive, And all we are to You we give.
 til You come To bring Your scat - tered loved ones home.
 wel - comed guest In heav - en's high and ho - ly feast.

“Glory Be to Jesus” [LSB hymn 433]



1 Glo - ry be to Je - sus, Who in bit - ter pains
 2 Grace and life e - ter - nal In that blood I find;
 3 Blest through end - less a - ges Be the pre - cious stream
 4 A - bel's blood for ven - geance Plead - ed to the skies;



Poured for me the life - blood From His sa - cred veins!
 Blest be His com - pas - sion, In - fi - nite - ly kind!
 Which from end - less tor - ment Did the world re - deem!
 But the blood of Je - sus For our par - don cries.

5 Oft as earth exulting
 Wafts its praise on high,
 Angel hosts rejoicing
 Make their glad reply.

6 Lift we, then, our voices,
 Swell the mighty flood;
 Louder still and louder
 Praise the precious blood!

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence” [LSB hymn 621]



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and
 2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
 4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,
 on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence



For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the
 From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to
 As with cease - less voice they cry: “Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

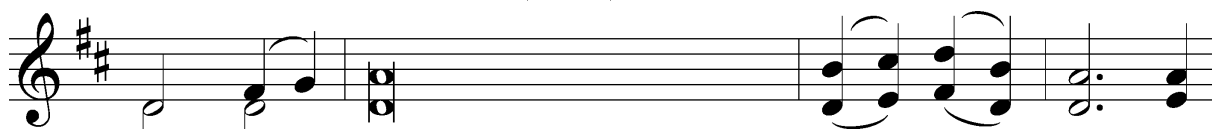


scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.
 faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
 van - quish As the dark - ness clears a - way.
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!”

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

(Luke 2:29-32)



☐ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



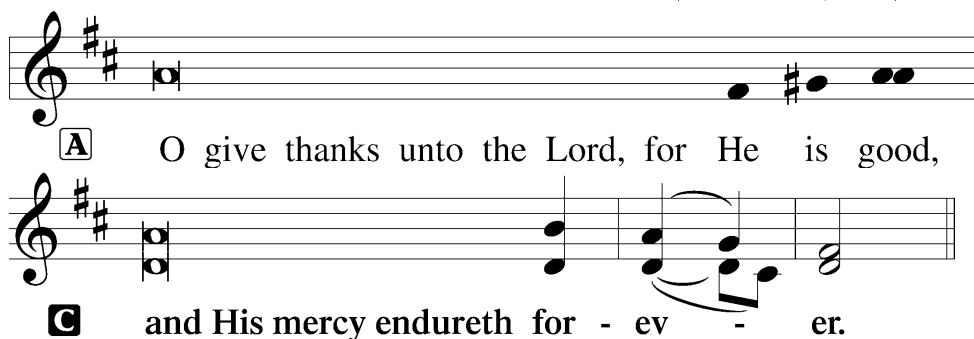
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



people Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

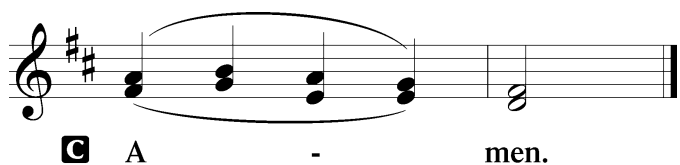
(Psalm 107:1)



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

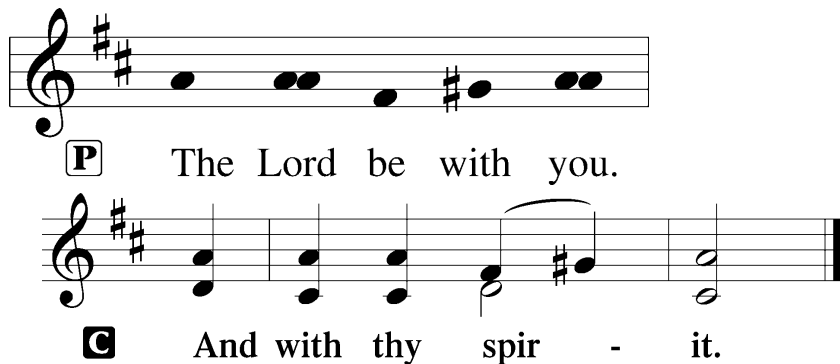
POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



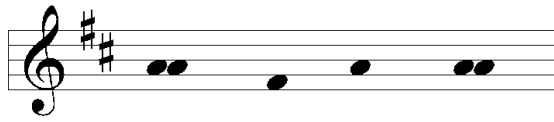
C A - men.

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS



P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.

(2 Timothy 4:22)



A Bless we the Lord.

(Psalm 103:1)



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

(Numbers 6:24-26)

Pastor: May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and † give you His peace.



C A-men, a - men, a - men.

Sit

HYMN “Jesus, Refuge of the Weary” [LSB hymn 423]



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,
2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior
pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your
love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -



from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us
hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our



cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.
grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.
hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

(Psalm 103:1)

POSTLUDE

SERVING OUR LORD AND HIS PEOPLE TODAY

8:00 Service

11:00 Service

Acolyte:

Ava Keller

Kacie Onak

Ushers:

Vona Dodge

Paul T. Jurenka

David Volkert

Andrew Onak

Elder/Reader:

Reinhard Stenzel

Roman Jurenka

Organist:

Matt Laub

Altar Guild:

Jan Flores, Doris White, Scott Prior, Maria Jurenka

LAST SUNDAY WE PRAYED FOR:

HEALING **Larry Mickelson's** has a fractured spine and is home now. **Lezlee Neebe** recovering at home after back surgery. **Aggie** is at home now with the **Rice Family**.

SAFETY DURING TRAVEL **Our Youth Group** is returning March 20th from their week-end ski trip. **Pastor Jim** traveling to Arizona for a week's vacation.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Caryn Keller 3/27; Joan Harris 3/28; Gabby Gasparian 3/31; Michael Wuckert 4/2

THIS WEEK'S WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Larry & Judy Norlander 3/28

THIS WEEK'S BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Catherine Tochluk 3/31; Mary Ann Crowley 4/1; Joan Harris 4/1

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NEWS AND NOTES

MARCH 27, 2022

Opportunities This Week To Serve Our Lord And Our Neighbor

27 Sunday	<i>Fourth Sunday in Lent</i> Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation Adult Bible Study “Matthew” 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Pastor Toma) 9:30 AM
28 Monday	<i>Pastor Toma’s Day Off / Church Office Closed</i> Al Anon 10:00 AM Celestial Ringers 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM
29 Tuesday	Preschool Chapel 9:30 AM Preschool Staff Bible Study and Meeting 5:30 PM Al Anon 6:00 PM Sanctuary Choir 7:00 PM
30 Wednesday	Lenten Worship Service 4:00 & 7:00 PM Soup Supper 5:30 PM
31 Thursday	Preschool Chapel 9:30 AM Preschool Open House 6:00 PM
1 Friday	
2 Saturday	Oratio, Meditatio, Tentatio Prayer group 9:00 AM Sewing Group 9:30 AM-5:00 PM
3 Sunday	<i>Fifth Sunday in Lent</i> Divine Service 8:00 & 11:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation Adult Bible Study “Matthew” 9:30 AM (in the Sanctuary with Pastor Toma) 9:30 AM Youth Breakfast Club 9:30 AM Sunday School Brunch Bunch 10:30 AM

For Further Information Please Call the Church Office at 714-846-6330

Church Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM / 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Preschool Office Hours: Monday – Friday 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM

BIBLE STUDIES

“Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of Christ” (Romans 10:17)

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT STUDY

“Matthew” (9:30 AM with Pastor Toma in the Sanctuary)

REDEEMER'S STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 90

God has given each of us gifts and calls us in 1 Peter 4:10,11 to "use them to serve one another that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ".



SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP Luke 15:12 – “And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them.” This prodigal son only sees the father as a source of wealth. Give me my inheritance now! Which is to say, “You are better off dead in my eyes.” This is the sin at the heart of all greed, valuing things over people. This parable calls us to “come to our senses” as well. It calls us to see God as the loving Giver of all good, the true Father to be valued above and beyond all the things of this world.

AROUND REDEEMER

WORSHIP SERVICES AT REDEEMER will be offered in our Sanctuary on Sundays and available online at 8:00 AM on www.facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranHB/ as a Facebook live stream, and accessible from www.redeemer-lutheran.net. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM for Sunday School.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the children studied “**Elijah and the Prophets of Baal**” (1 Kings 18:20-46).

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY April 9th our speaker will be Dr. Dan Deen. The Title is “**Beware of Philosophy: Dancing with the Devil to the Tune of Faith and Reason**”. Dr. Deen will be exploring Paul’s letter to the Colossians from the perspective of a philosophy professor. Plan to attend this very informative presentation. Please RSVP to the church office for breakfast.

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR RINGERS! The adult handbell choir is recruiting new ringers. Looking for anyone High School age and up. No prior musical experience is required! If you have any interest please talk to Matt Laub as soon as he finishes playing the Postlude this morning or email him at mattalaub@gmail.com.

SOUP SUPPERS If you can help by setting up, cleaning up or bringing food on March 30 or April 6 please call Ellen Prior at (714) 651-1881 or Carol Waidner in the church office.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS If you have any Thrivent accounts, **please** designate your Choice Dollars by the deadline, March 31st.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION AND COMMUNION are by appointment. Please call the church office to arrange a date and time.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER NEEDED

★ **SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER NEEDS** We are looking for a Sunday School teacher. For more information please contact Bonnie Volkert at bonnievolkert@gmail.com or Brian Viers at bigbrianv1@gmail.com if you are interested.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

SAVE THE DATE Vacation Bible School this year will be July 11th -15th. If you are able to help with “**Splash Canyon**” please contact Bonnie Volkert at bonnievolkert@gmail.com. Registration will begin on May 22nd on our website.

WINE CORKS We are collecting wine corks for a VBS craft this year. If you have any you would like to donate, please bring them to the church office.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

★ OPEN HOUSE!! We get to have a real OPEN HOUSE!! The teachers are so excited while preparing for the BIG day. Each class has chosen a Biblical Theme and can't wait to show their ideas and creativity portrayed throughout the classroom with lots of help from the children. Please come and see for yourself how our Christian School is including CHRIST in all we do!! Join us Thursday, March 31st 6:00 - 7:30 PM. Please meet in the fellowship hall, then you will be directed to all the classes.



AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

NEED AN AT-HOME CAREGIVER? Elmer Hahn, who cared for Wayne Pereboom and his mom Betty Erickson, is seeking work part-time on the weekends or full-time during the week. You can call Elmer at (562) 215-3317 for details.

HYMN OF THE MONTH

GLORY BE TO JESUS LSB 433 Surprisingly, this hymn, so essential to the keeping of a holy Lent within the Missouri Synod (if widespread use and popularity are any indication), emerges from Italian Catholic roots. The text was brought to Protestant attention through a nineteenth-century translation by Edward Caswell (1814-78), a former Anglican who had “gone over” to Rome with John Henry Newman (1801-90), later Cardinal Newman; nevertheless, every Lent Lutherans still sing this hymn, which passes biblical, confessional, and doctrinal muster. The character of the hymn simply, gently, and directly seeks to win back the Sinful with the welcome Gospel.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

Even Christian lips can dishonor God and endanger neighbors (James 3:9). When we permit assisted suicide or promote abortion, we cause more destruction than forest fires (James 3:5). But words also serve the Lord's gracious purposes. Gospel promises have delivered us. Even our sinful tongues can become instruments of His miracles. When we proclaim how God treasures every human life, He changes hearts and saves lives more than any laws or elections.

MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT

REV. DENNIS & DEACONESS LORNA MEEKER email at 4kenyaskids@gmail.com

REV. DANIEL & KATHY CONRAD for information see <https://www.lcms.org/conrad>

REV. RYAN AND EMILY MCDERMOTT serving the Lord in Madison, WI

For information on where you can send support, contact the church office.

SUPPORT PASTOR NADER HANNA'S MINISTRY

You can donate Thrivent choice dollars to Pastor Nader Hanna's work with Muslims, "**Salam Ministries**," which is a 501(C)(3) Lutheran Charity. He is part of "Muslims for the Messiah," led by Rev. Hesham Shehab, an LCMS pastor. Please find below short instructions on how Thrivent members can donate their choice dollars online: 1. Log in to your Thrivent account, scroll down Thrivent main page. 2. Under "resources," click on "livegenerously.com." 3. Scroll down to "Thrivent choice," click on "direct choice dollars." 4. Search with the organization name; click on "Muslims for the Messiah," then "log in to direct now." 5. Under "direct choice now" click on "direct all" OR "direct this amount" and fill in the amount. You can contact Pastor Nader Hanna at PastorNador@gmail.com or (714) 724-2985. **Salam Ministries** brochures are available in the church office. *Salaam: as in shalom "peace and well-being in God."* "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." John 16:33.

PORTALS OF PRAYER APP

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**DAILY, CHRIST OFFERS HIS RICH BLESSINGS THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES.
SUGGESTED READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 27, 2022:**

Sunday, March 27:	Genesis 41:28-57; Isaiah 12:1-6; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
Monday, March 28:	Genesis 42:1-34, 38 & Mark 12:1-12
Tuesday, March 29:	Genesis 43:1-28 & Mark 12:13-27
Wednesday, March 30:	Genesis 44:1-18, 32-34 & Mark 12:28-44
Thursday, March 31:	Genesis 45:1-20, 24-28 & Mark 13:1-23
Friday, April 1:	Genesis 47:1-31 & Mark 13:24-37
Saturday, April 2:	Genesis 49:29-50:7, 14-26 & Mark 14:1-11
Sunday, April 3:	Exodus 1:1-22; Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; Luke 20:9-20

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Anyone who
belongs to Christ
has become a
new person.

***The old life is gone;
a new life has begun!***

-2 Corinthians 5:17

