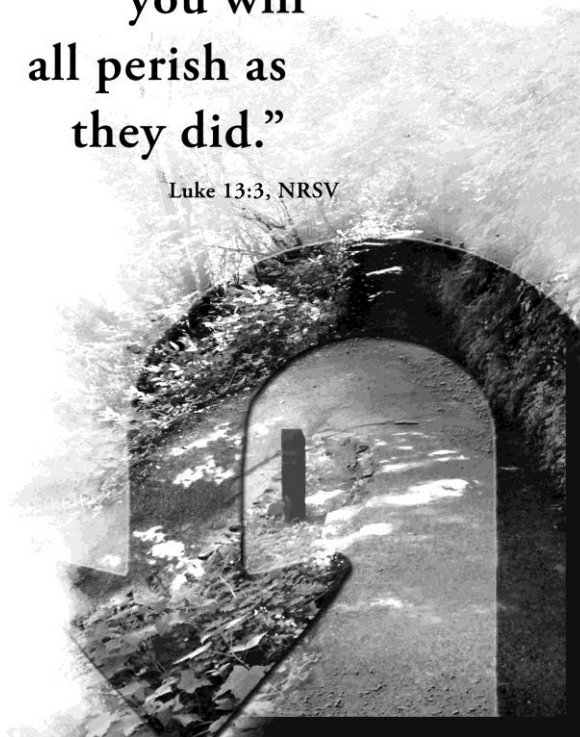


Third Sunday in Lent
March 20, 2022 10:30 a.m. Service

“... unless you repent,
you will
all perish as
they did.”

Luke 13:3, NRSV



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You are invited to use the yellow Prayer Cards located in the pew for prayer requests. Please hand this card to an usher or place it in the offering plate.

** Please turn off cellphones **

Holy Communion is offered today:

The Lord's Supper is a wonderful gift given to us by God. In the bread and wine, just as He says, Christ gives us His body and blood to forgive sins, renew faith, and cause Godly and brotherly love to grow. In this sacrament we proclaim Christ's death on the cross to atone for the sins of the world and His triumphant resurrection over the grave, to the glory and praise of God. To receive this means of God's grace properly we should be able to positively answer the following: "Do I need forgiveness for sin?" "Do I believe the pastor's forgiveness is God's forgiveness?" "Do I believe in Christ as my Savior?" "Do I trust that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine?" "Do I desire to live anew to God and others in love and service?" In our

‘yes’ to these questions we join in a close and holy communion – a fellowship of faith.

Out of Pastoral concern and care, and taking to heart God's Word in 1 Corinthians 11:28-29: “*A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself*” – if you are unsure of what it means to recognize the body of the Lord in the Lord’s Supper and you cannot confess these beliefs, please feel free to remain seated or come forward with hands folded for a blessing or speak to the Pastor or an Elder prior to the service.

If you need to receive the Sacrament at your seat, please tell an usher. Also, non-communing children and adults are welcome to come and receive a blessing (please keep your hands folded to indicate this choice).

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
Divine Service – Setting Three
March 20, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements

+ INVOCATION + *LSB 184*

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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

C **Amen.**

Opening Hymn *LSB 915 sts. 1-4*

“Today Your Mercy Calls Us”



1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;
4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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Stand

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION + *LSB 184*

P 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

[P] Our help is in the name of the Lord,
[C] **who made heaven and earth.** *Psalm 124:8*

[P] I said, I will confess my transgressions
unto the Lord,
[C] **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**
Psalm 32:5

(Silence for self-examination and confession to God in light of the Ten Commandments and reflection on God's Word. Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, wife, or worker? Have you been disobedient, unfaithful, or lazy? Have you been hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm?)

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C 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.

P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. *LSB 292*

C Amen.

P Do you believe that my forgiveness is
God's forgiveness? *LSB 293*

C Yes.

P Let it be done for you as you believe.

P Upon this your confession, *LSB 185*

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. *John 20:19-23*

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD + *LSB 186*

Introit

Ps. 5:4-8; antiphon: Ps. 1:6

P For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

C For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you.

P The boastful shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers.

C You destroy those who speak lies; the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.

P But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house. I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.

C Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies; make your way straight before me.

P C 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 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Gloria Patri

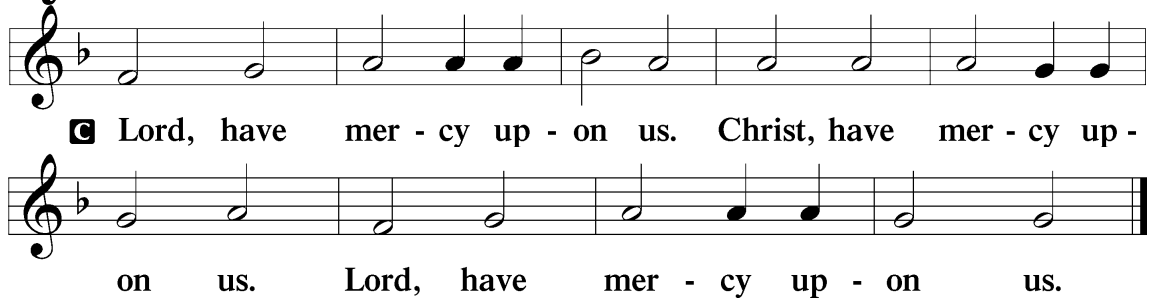
LSB 186

C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line of text. The music is written in a single melodic line on a five-line staff with a treble clef. The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The first staff ends with a semibreve note, and the second staff ends with a double bar line.

Kyrie

Mark 10:47, LSB 186



(During Lent, the HYMN OF PRAISE/GLORIA IN EXCELSIS is omitted)

Salutation and Collect of the Day *LSB 189*

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray. O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the

unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading *Ezekiel 33:7-20*

7 “Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the people of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me.

8 When I say to the wicked, ‘You wicked person, you will surely die,’ and you do not speak out to dissuade them from their ways, that wicked person will die for their sin, and I will hold you accountable for their blood.

9 But if you do warn the wicked person to turn from their ways and they do not do so, they will die for their sin, though you yourself will be saved.

10 “Son of man, say to the Israelites, ‘This is what you are saying: “Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?”’

11 Say to them, ‘As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign Lord, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, people of Israel?’

12 “Therefore, son of man, say to your people, ‘If someone who is righteous disobeys, that person’s former righteousness will count for nothing. And if someone who

is wicked repents, that person's former wickedness will not bring condemnation. The righteous person who sins will not be allowed to live even though they were formerly righteous.' 13 If I tell a righteous person that they will surely live, but then they trust in their righteousness and do evil, none of the righteous things that person has done will be remembered; they will die for the evil they have done. 14 And if I say to a wicked person, 'You will surely die,' but they then turn away from their sin and do what is just and right – 15 if they give back what they took in pledge for a loan, return what they have stolen, follow the decrees that give life, and do no evil – that person will surely live; they will not die.

16 None of the sins that person has committed will be remembered against them. They have done what is just and right; they will surely live.

17 “Yet your people say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ But it is their way that is not just. 18 If a righteous person turns from their righteousness and does evil, they will die for it. 19 And if a wicked person turns away from their wickedness and does what is just and right, they will live by doing so.

20 Yet you Israelites say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ But I will judge each of you according to your own ways.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Heb. 12:2

**[A] [C] [O come, let us fix our eyes on]
Jesus, The founder and perfecter of our
faith, who for the joy that was set before
him endured the cross, despising the
shame, and is seated at the right hand of
the throne of God.**

Epistle Reading *1 Corinthians 10:1-13*

10 For I do not want you to be ignorant of
the fact, brothers and sisters, that our
ancestors were all under the cloud and that
they all passed through the sea. 2 They were
all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in
the sea. 3 They all ate the same spiritual
food 4 and drank the same spiritual drink;
for they drank from the spiritual rock that
accompanied them, and that rock was Christ.

5 Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered in the wilderness.

6 Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did. 7 Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written:

“The people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry.” 8 We should not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did – and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died. 9 We should not test Christ, as some of them did – and were killed by snakes. 10 And do not grumble, as some of them did – and were killed by the destroying angel.

11 These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come. 12 So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! 13 No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand (During Lent, the ALLELUIA is omitted)

Verse *2 Peter 3:9b, c; LSB 190*

P C [The Lord] is patient toward you,
not wishing that any should perish, but
that all should reach repentance.

Holy Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

P The Holy Gospel according to St.
Luke, the thirteenth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

LSB 190

13 Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. 2 Jesus answered, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way?

3 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. 4 Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them – do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? 5 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish.”

6 Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. 7 So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, ‘For three years now I’ve been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven’t found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?’

8 “‘Sir,’ the man replied, ‘leave it alone for one more year, and I’ll dig around it and fertilize it. 9 If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

LSB 191

Sit

Hymn of the Day

LSB 704 sts. 1-4

“Renew Me, O Eternal Light”



1	Re - new me,	O	e - ter - nal	Light,	And let my
2	Re - move the	pow'r	of sin from	me	And cleanse all
3	Cre - ate in me	a new heart,	Lord,	That glad - ly	
4	Grant that I	on - ly	You may love	And seek those	



heart	and soul be	bright,	Il - lu - mined	with	the
my	im - pu - ri -	ty	That I may	have	the
I	o - bey Your	Word.	Let what You	will	be
things	which are a -	bove	Till I be - hold	You	



light of grace That is - sues from Your ho - ly face.
strength and will Temp - ta - tions of the flesh to still.
my de - sire, And with new life my soul in - spire.
face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through Your grace.

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Sermon “The Talons of Repentance” **Pastor Tom Rhodes**

Stand

Nicene Creed *LSB 191*

**☐ 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.**

Offering

*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!

Offertory

LSB 192

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

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

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.

Prayer of the Church

LSB 193

P In God's peace and by His grace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For grace, that we may grasp hold of repentance of our sins and walk always in the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For grace to recognize Christ, the rock of our salvation, and for the wisdom to recognize temptation and the strength to withstand it by the cross of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For grace to provide faithful pastors, church workers, and congregations for the Spirit's guidance to all who hear the Word, to heed Its counsel, and for the faith to manifest in holy lives the fruits of the Spirit and show forth Christ who lives in us by Baptism, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For grace to guide and bless those who lead us in this land and in all nations; for peace and an end to war, violence, and terror; and for a willingness to work for the common good while protecting the unborn, the aged and the frail, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For grace for the ill, for the recovering, for the aged and infirm, for the widow and orphan, for those persecuted because of the faith, especially for those on our prayer list and cards, and for God to grant them healing and strength according to His benevolent will and purpose, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For grace to remember with thanksgiving the faithful who went before us and now rest from their labors, and for our endurance, that we may not give up the hope planted within us in our Baptism but receive the crown of everlasting life prepared for those who love the Lord, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort and defend us,
gracious Lord; through Jesus Christ, our
Lord.

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT + *LSB 194*

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

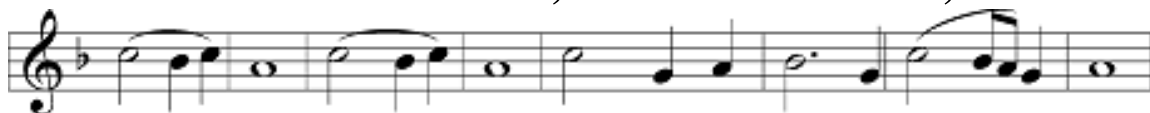
C We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

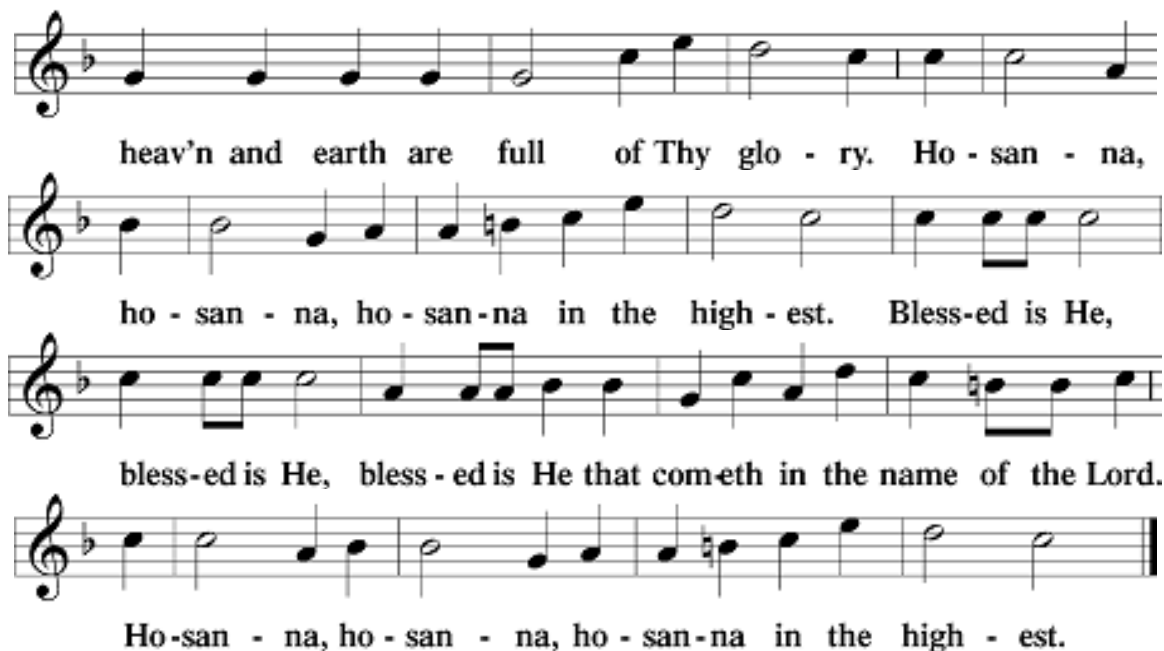
C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9; LSB 195*



■ 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, LSB 196*

P 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.**

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

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

[P] 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.”

P 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.”

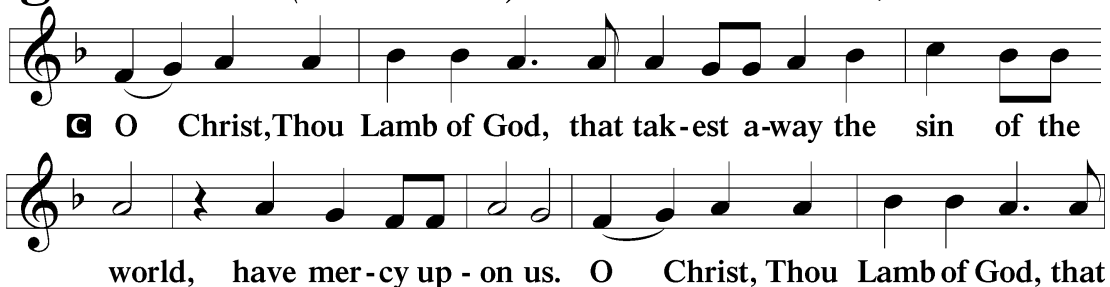
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John 20:19, LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei (*No intro*) *John 1:29, LSB 198*



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.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

Distribution Hymn

LSB 421 sts. 1-5

“Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”

1 Je - sus, grant that balm and heal - ing In Your ho - ly
 2 Should some lust or sharp temp - ta - tion Fas - ci - nate my
 3 If the world my heart en - tic - es With the broad and
 4 Ev - 'ry wound that pains or grieves me By Your wounds, Lord,

wounds I find, Ev - 'ry hour that I am feel - ing Pains of
 sin - ful mind, Draw me to Your cross and pas - sion, And new
 eas - y road, With se - duc - tive, sin - ful vi - ces, Let me
 is made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross re - vives me, Grant - ing



bod - y and of mind. Should some e - vil thought with - in
 cour - age I shall find. Or should Sa - tan press me hard,
 weigh the aw - ful load You were will - ing to en - dure.
 new life to my soul. Yes, Your com - fort ren - ders sweet



Tempt my treach-'rous heart to sin, Show the per - il, and from
 Let me then be on my guard, Say - ing, "Christ for me was
 Help me flee all thoughts im - pure And to mas - ter each temp-
 Ev - 'ry bit - ter cup I meet; For Your all - a - ton - ing



sin - ning Keep me from its first be - gin - ning.
 wound-ed," That the tempt - er flee con - found - ed.
 ta - tion, Calm in prayer and med - i - ta - tion.
 pas - sion Has pro - cured my soul's sal - va - tion.

5 O my God, my rock and tower,
 Grant that in Your death I trust,
 Knowing death has lost its power
 Since You crushed it in the dust.
 Savior, let Your agony
 Ever help and comfort me;
 When I die be my protection,
 Light and life and resurrection.

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Distribution Hymn

LSB 696 sts. 1-6

“O God, My Faithful God”



1 O God, my faith - ful God, True foun - tain ev - er flow - ing,
2 Grant me the strength to do With read - y heart and will - ing
3 Keep me from say - ing words That lat - er need re - call - ing;
4 Lord, let me win my foes With kind - ly words and ac - tions,



With - out whom noth - ing is, All per - fect gifts be - stow - ing:
What - ev - er You com - mand, My call - ing here ful - fill - ing;
Guard me lest i - dle speech May from my lips be fall - ing;
And let me find good friends For coun - sel and cor - rec - tion.



Give me a health - y frame, And may I have with - in
That I do what I should While trust - ing You to bless
But when with - in my place I must and ought to speak,
Help me, as You have taught, To love both great and small



A con - science free from blame, A soul un - stained by sin.
The out - come for my good, For You must give suc - cess.
Then to my words give grace Lest I of - fend the weak.
And by Your Spir - it's might To live in peace with all.

5 Let me depart this life
Confiding in my Savior;
By grace receive my soul
That it may live forever;
And let my body have
A quiet resting place
Within a Christian grave;
And let it sleep in peace.

6 And on that final day
When all the dead are waking,
Stretch out Your mighty hand,
My deathly slumber breaking.
Then let me hear Your voice,
Redeem this earthly frame,
And bid me to rejoice
With those who love Your name.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32, LSB 199

C 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
peo-ple 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 without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1, LSB 201

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth forever.

P Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Salutation and Benedicamus

LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C And with thy spirit.

P Bless we the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26, LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Sit

Closing Hymn

LSB 919 sts. 1-6

“Abide, O Dearest Jesus”



1 A - bidē, O dear - est Je - sus, A - mong us with Your grace
2 A - bidē, O dear Re - deem - er, A - mong us with Your Word,
3 A - bidē with heav'n-ly bright - ness A - mong us, pre - cious Light;
4 A - bidē with rich - est bless - ings A - mong us, boun-teous Lord;



That Sa - tan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
And thus now and here - af - ter True peace and joy af - ford.
Your truth di - rect and keep us From er - ror's gloom - y night.
Let us in grace and wis - dom Grow dai - ly through Your Word.

5 Abide with Your protection
Among us, Lord, our strength,
Lest world and Satan fell us
And overcome at length.

6 Abide, O faithful Savior,
Among us with Your love;
Grant steadfastness and help us
To reach our home above.

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