



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*\*

> SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Divine Service – Setting Four July 24, 2022 10:30 a.m.

#### Welcome & Announcements

+ INVOCATION +

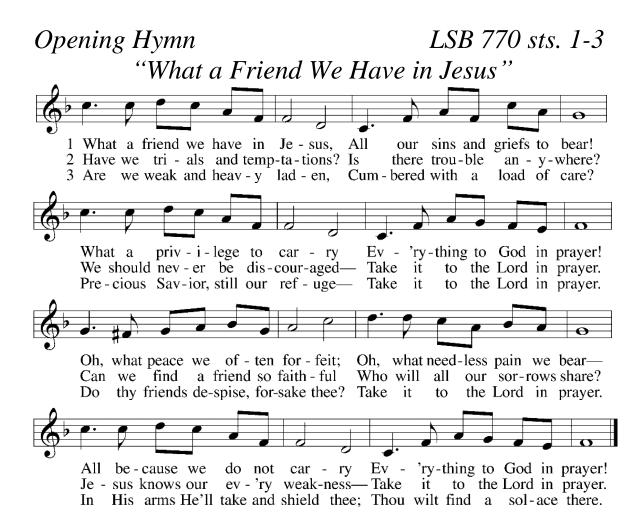
LSB 203

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.

**C** Amen.

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]



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Stand

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION + LSB 203
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
Psalm 124:8

## ■ If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

# **C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. (Silence for self-examination and confession to God. Reflect on His Word and consider your life according to the Ten Commandments: This and whatever comes to mind, confess now, and receive God's total absolution.)

Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: *Luke 18:13* 

**C** God, be merciful to me, a sinner. Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

PGod be merciful to you and strengthen<br/>your faith.LSB 292

#### **C** Amen.

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

C Yes.LSB 293P Let it be done for you as you believe.P Almighty God in HisLSB 203mercy has given His Son todie for you and for His sake forgives youall your sins. As a called and ordainedservant of Christ, and by His authority, Itherefore forgive you all your sins, in thename of the Father and of the  $\maltese$  Son andof the Holy Spirit.

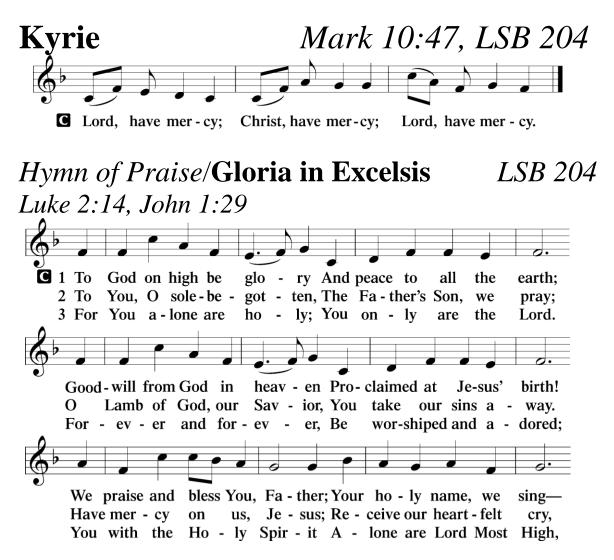
#### **C** Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD + LSB 204
Introit Ps.119:145-149; antiphon: Ps.50:15
P Call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.

# **C** With my whole heart I cry; answer me, O LORD! I will keep your statutes.

- **P** I call to you; save me, that I may observe your testimonies.
- **C** I rise before dawn and cry for help; I hope in your words.
- P My eyes are awake before the watches of the night, that I may meditate on your promise.
- C Hear my voice according to your steadfast love; O LORD, according to your justice give me life.
- **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.

### Call upon me in the day of trouble;I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.





Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high— In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day LSB 205

P The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22
C And also with you.

 P Let us pray. O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before 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.

Sit

**Old Testament Reading** Genesis 18:17-33 17 Then the Lord said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do? 18 Abraham will surely become a great and powerful nation, and all nations on earth will be blessed through him. 19 For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing what is right and just, so that the Lord will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him." 20 Then the Lord said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous 21 that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know."

22 The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the Lord. 23 Then Abraham approached him and said: "Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? 24 What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? 25 Far be it from you to do such a thing – to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?"

26 The Lord said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake." 27 Then Abraham spoke up again: "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, 28 what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five people?"

"If I find forty-five there," he said, "I will not destroy it."

29 Once again he spoke to him, "What if only forty are found there?"

He said, "For the sake of forty, I will not do it."

30 Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?" He answered, "I will not do it if I find thirty there."

31 Abraham said, "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?"

He said, "For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it."

32 Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more.

What if only ten can be found there?"

He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it."

33 When the Lord had finished speaking with Abraham, he left, and Abraham returned home.

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

**Gradual** *Rom. 10:15b, 18b; Is. 52:7b, alt.*  **A C How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news, who publish peace and bring good news of salvation. Their voice has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.** 

Epistle Reading Colossians 2:6-19
6 So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him,
7 rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

8 See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

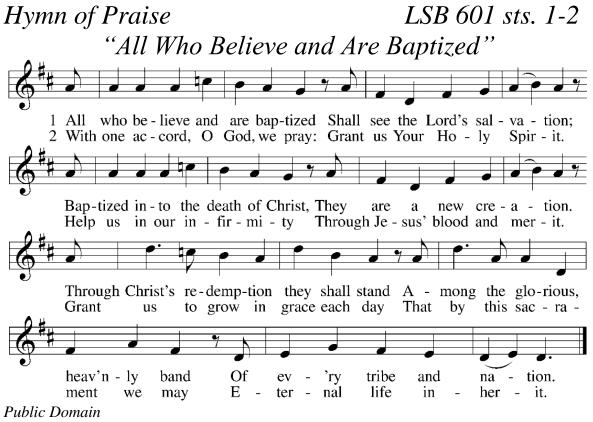
9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, 10 and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. 11 In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, 12 having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. 13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, 14 having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood

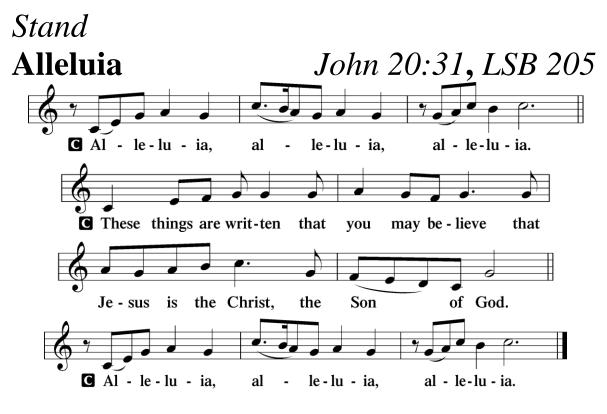
against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. 15 And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. 16 Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. 17 These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. 18 Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you. Such a person also goes into great detail about what they have seen; they are puffed up with idle notions by their unspiritual mind. 19 They have lost

connection with the head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **C** Thanks be to God.





Holy Gospel Luke 11:1-13
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

11 One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples." 2 He said to them, "When you pray, say: "Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. 3 Give us each day our daily bread. 4 Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation."" 5 Then Jesus said to them, "Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at

midnight and say, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; 6 a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.' 7 And suppose the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' 8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

9 "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

11 "Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead?12 Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, though you are

evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

# P This is the Gospel of the Lord.C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

LSB 779 sts. 1-5 Hymn of the Day "Come, My Soul with Every Care" 1 Come, my soul, with ev - 'ry care, Je - sus loves to an - swer prayer; 2 Thou art com - ing to a King, Large pe - ti - tions with thee bring; 3 With my bur - den Ι be - gin: Lord, re - move this load of sin: Take pos - ses - sion of 4 Lord, Thy rest to me im - part, mv heart; bid thee pray, There-fore will He Him - self has not turn a - way. For and pow'r are such None can ev - er His grace ask too much. sin - ners spilt, Set for my con-science free from guilt. Let Thy blood, There Thy blood-bought right main-tain And with-out а ri - val reign.

5 While I am a pilgrim here, Let Thy love my spirit cheer; As my guide, my guard, my friend, Lead me to my journey's end.

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#### Sermon

#### "God's Persistent Love" Pastor Tom Rhodes

Stand

# Apostle's CreedLSB 207P C I believe in God, the FatherAlmighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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.

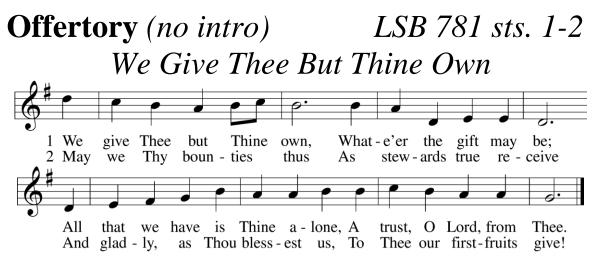
The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

#### Offering

In quiet devotion and responding in personal stewardship of God's abundant provision to you, please use the offering plates 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!)



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Prayer of the ChurchLSB 207PLet us pray for the whole people ofGod in Christ Jesus and for all people asthey have need.

#### Brief silence

**P** For the faithful preaching and teaching of the Gospel, that we may be reminded of the true posture to receive the eternal truth of Christ crucified, let us pray to the Lord:

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

For Christ's Holy Church here and throughout the world, that all who hear the Word of God be brought to repentance and faith, and for grace that God's people may be sustained in His holy Word even in persecution, let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

P For a faithful and fruitful life of prayer, praying not only for our needs but praying His promises that our hearts may be formed by His perfect peace, let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the government of our country, for the elected and appointed leaders of our nation, for godly lives as citizens, and for

those who protect and defend our country both here and abroad, let us pray to the Lord:

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

For those in any need, especially that the sick may be healed, the grieving comforted, and the dying consoled, especially those on our prayer list and cards, and that God may give them all things good and necessary in their time of need, let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the faithful who have gone before us with the sign of faith and now rest from their labors, that we may be brought with them to the grace of everlasting life, let us pray to the Lord:

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

P Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. [Brief silence] O Lord, bring us at last through all trials and deliver us into Your Kingdom without end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C Amen.

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9-13, LSB 209 P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

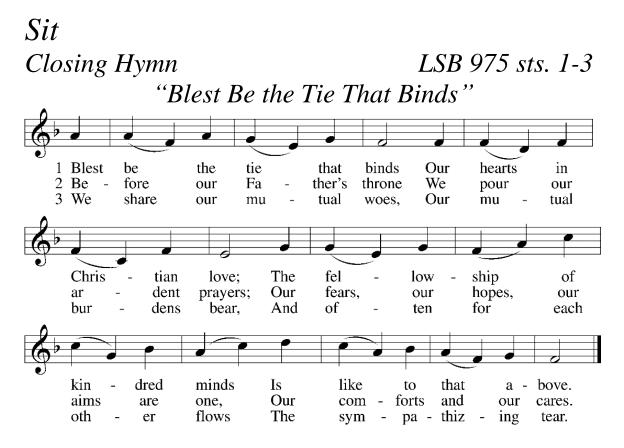
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction LSB 212P Let us bless the Lord.

- **C** Thanks be to God.
- **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  $\clubsuit$  give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26* 

**C** Amen.



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