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☩ Hymns ☩

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On receiving the Lord's Supper: Our congregation is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS), a family of congregations that pledge themselves to believe, teach, and confess the same faith. We believe that we are given a great responsibility to commune only those persons who are members of our confessional fellowship. We practice closed communion to exhibit unity in faith (Acts 2:42), to guard the uninstructed against a reception of the sacrament that will be harmful to them (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), and to keep the pastor from having to make “divine” decisions by determining who is a believer and who is not (2 Timothy 2:19). Therefore, we ask that only LCMS members, or members of churches in fellowship with us, commune at the altar of this church. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that we practice closed communion for their spiritual welfare. Guests desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to speak with our pastor.



✠ THE DIVINE SERVICE ✠

10:30am

Please silence all phones and devices before service begins.

THE PRELUDE

The bell tolls three times to signify the beginning of service in reverence of the Holy Trinity. After the tolls, the Processional Hymn will begin.

Please STAND and FACE THE PROCESSION as it passes.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

476 *Who Are You Who Walk in Sorrow*

THE PREPARATION

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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.

Please remain STANDING or KNEEL if you desire and are able

Our ✠ help is in the Name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD,
and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination. The pastor will resume...

O almighty God, merciful Father, 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.

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.

Amen.

Please STAND



THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE INTROIT

PSALM 98:1A, 2B; 98:1B



| O sing | unto the LORD a new song, Alleluia:
for He hath done marvelous things, Alle- / luia.
His righteousness hath He openly showed
in the sight of the heathen, Alleluia, / Alleluia.

**His right hand, and His / holy arm:
Hath gotten / Him the victory.**

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 for- / ever. Amen.

| O sing | unto the LORD a new song, Alleluia:
for He hath done marvelous things, Alle- / luia.
His righteousness hath He openly showed
in the sight of the heathen, Alleluia, / Alleluia.

THE KYRIE

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

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

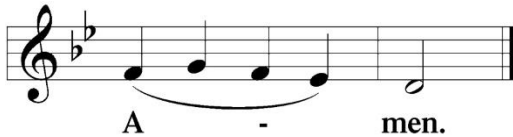
THE SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir - it.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, who makest the minds of the faithful to be of one will, grant unto Thy people that they may love what Thou commandest and desire what Thou dost promise, that among the manifold changes of this world our hearts may there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



Please BE SEATED

THE PROPHECY

ISAIAH 12:1-6

Thus says the LORD God: In that day you will say: “O LORD, I will praise You; though You were angry with me, Your anger is turned away, and You comfort me. Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; ‘For YAH, the LORD, is my strength and song; He also has become my salvation.’ ” Therefore with joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And in that day you will say: “Praise the LORD, call upon His name; declare His deeds among the peoples, make mention that His name is exalted. Sing to the LORD, for He has done excellent things; this is known in all the earth. Cry out and shout, O inhabitant of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel in your midst!”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



THE GRADUAL AND ALLELUIA VERSE

I CORINTHIANS 5:7B, 8A, C; ST. LUKE 24:34



Alleluia, Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacri- / ficed for us.

Let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread
of sincerity and truth. / Alleluia.

**The Lord is risen in- / dëed,
And hath appeared to Peter. / Alleluia.**

THE EPISTLE

JAMES 1:17-21

Dearly Beloved: Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures. So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please STAND

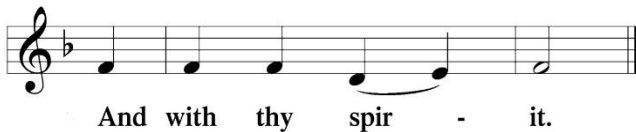
THE SEQUENCE HYMN

459 *Christ Is Arisen*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

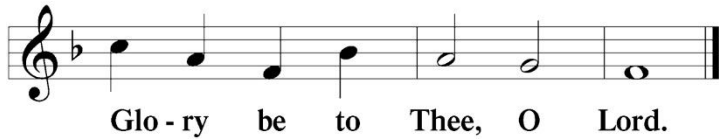
ST. JOHN 16:5-15

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

The ✠ Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the sixteenth chapter.



✠ *At that time Jesus said to His disciples:* “Now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they do not believe in Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THE 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.

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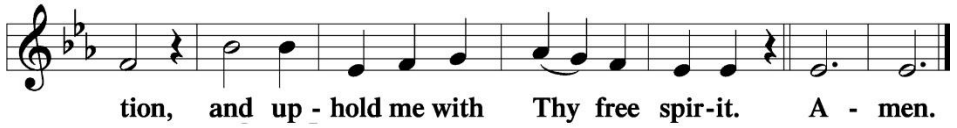
THE HYMN OF THE DAY 556 *Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice*

THE SERMON

Please STAND

THE OFFERTORY

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 -



THE OFFERTORY VERSE

PSALM 66:1-2A, 16



Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye / lânds.
Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands:
sing forth the honor / of His name.—
**Come and hear, all ye that fear / Gôd,
And I will declare what the Lord hath done
for my soul, / Alleluia.**

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THE OFFERING

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

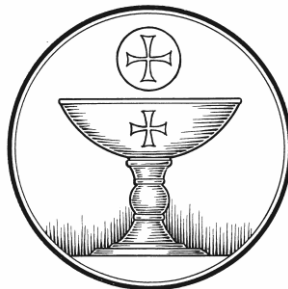
- please read the announcements and prayer list details on bulletin insert

After each bid: Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

At the conclusion: O Lord, ... one God, now and forever.

Amen.



THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the LORD our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly meet, right, and salutary... praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS



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,



bles - ed is He, bles - 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.

Please remain STANDING or KNEEL if you desire and are able

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 CHRIST'S TESTAMENT

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.

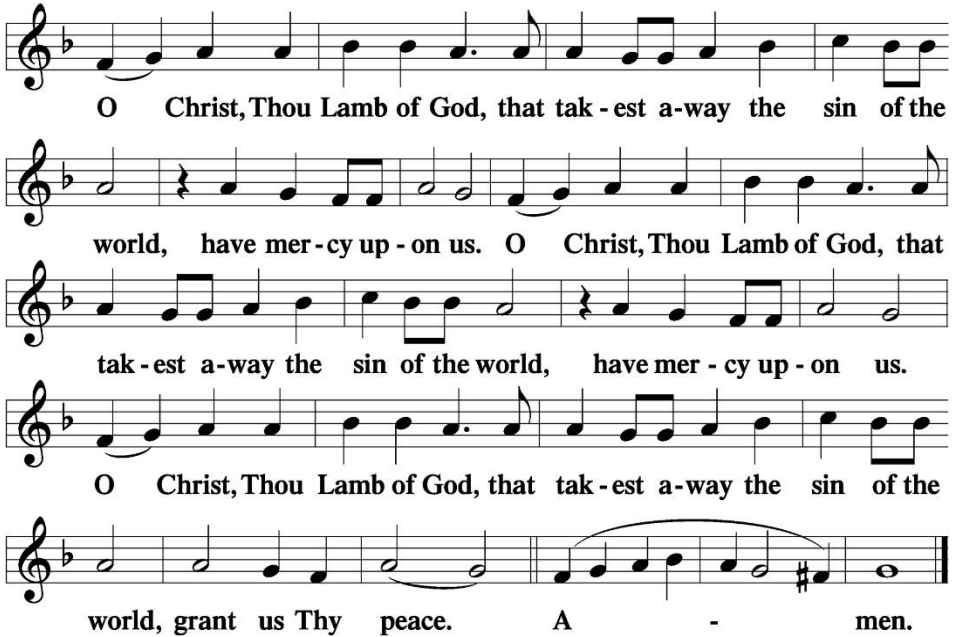
THE PAX DOMINI

The ✠ peace of the Lord be with you always.



A - men.

THE AGNUS DEI



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 COMMUNION VERSE

ST. JOHN 16:8



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When the Comforter, even the Spirit of / truth, is come,
He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness,
and of judgment, Alleluia, / Alleluia!

Please BE SEATED

Communion Distribution: Our congregation practices closed communion for the spiritual welfare of our members and guests. Please refer to page 1 of this bulletin for further explanation or speak to our pastor.

THE COMMUNION HYMNS

- 490 *Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won*
- 819 *Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good*
- 484 *Make Songs of Joy*

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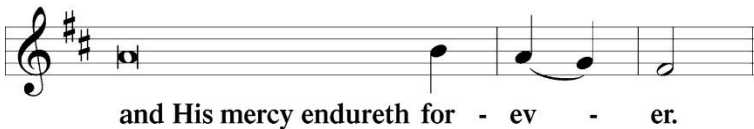
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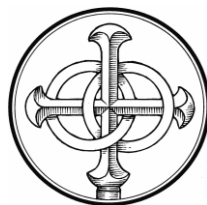
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE THANKSGIVING

Oh, give thanks unto the LORD for He is good.



and His mercy endureth forever.



Let us pray. Be present, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that by these things which we have faithfully partaken: we may be both purged of vices and delivered from all dangers; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



A - men.

THE SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

THE BENEDICAMUS

Bless we the LORD.



Thanks be to God.

Please remain STANDING or KNEEL if you desire and are able

THE BENEDICTION

The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.



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

Please STAND

THE RETIRING PROCESSION WITH POSTLUDE

Please FACE THE PROCESSION as it passes.

Once the Procession reaches the narthex, you may depart in ✠ peace.



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