

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 23 August A✠D 2026



OUR SAVIOR

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—Missouri Synod

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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, 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

797 *Praise the Almighty*

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 70:1-2A; PSALM 70:2B



| Make haste, | O God, to / deliver me;

Make haste to help / me, O— LORD.—

Let them be ashamed and / confounded

That seek af- / ter my— soul.—

Let them be turned backward, and put to / confusion,

- / That de— sire my hurt.

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 for / ever.— Amen.

| Make haste, | O God, to / deliver me;

Make haste to help / me, O— LORD.—

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That seek af- / ter my— soul.—

THE KYRIE



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

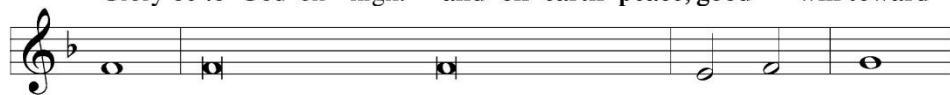


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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.

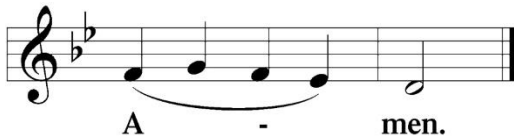
THE SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir - it.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service, grant, we beseech Thee, that we may run without stumbling to Thy promises; 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 29:17–24

Thus says the LORD God: Is it not yet a very little while till Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be esteemed as a forest? In that day the deaf shall hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity and out of darkness. The humble also shall increase their joy in the LORD, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel. For the terrible one is brought to nothing, the scornful one is consumed, and all who watch for iniquity are cut off—who make a man an offender by a word, and lay a snare for him who reproves in the gate, and turn aside the just by empty words. Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob: “Jacob shall not now be ashamed, nor shall his face now grow pale; but when he sees his children, the work of My hands, in his midst, they will hallow My name, and hallow the Holy One of Jacob, and fear the God of Israel. These also who erred in spirit will come to understanding, and those who complained will learn doctrine,” says the LORD Almighty.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL

PSALM 34:1-2



I will bless the LORD at / all tîmes:

His praise shall continual- / ly be— in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in / the LÔRD:

The humble shall hear / thereof,— and be glad.

THE EPISTLE

2 CORINTHIANS 3:4–11

Brethren: We have such trust through Christ toward God. Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. But if the ministry of death, written and engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away, how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious? For if the ministry of condemnation had glory, the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory. For even what was made glorious had no glory in this respect, because of the glory that excels. For if what is passing away was glorious, what remains is much more glorious.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please STAND



THE ALLELUIA VERSE

PSALM 90:1



Al- / leluia!

- / Alle-luia!

Lord, Thou hast been / our dwelling place

In all generations. / Alle-luia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

ST. MARK 7:31-37

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

The ✠ Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the seventh chapter.



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

✠ *At that time:* Departing from the region of Tyre and Sidon, Jesus came through the midst of the region of Decapolis to the Sea of Galilee. Then they brought to Him one who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech, and they begged Him to put His hand on him. And He took him aside from the multitude, and put His fingers in his ears, and He spat and touched his tongue. Then, looking up to heaven, He sighed, and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” Immediately his ears were opened, and the impediment of his tongue was loosed, and he spoke plainly. Then He commanded them that they should tell no one; but the more He commanded them, the more widely they proclaimed it. And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He makes both the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

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.

Please BE SEATED

THE HYMN OF THE DAY 545 *Word of God, Come Down on Earth*

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 -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

THE OFFERTORY VERSE

EXODUS 32:11A, 12B, 13A, 14



VI

Moses besought the LORD / his God, and said,
 LORD, why doth Thy wrath wax hot against Thy people?
 - / Turn from— Thy fierce wrath.

Remember Abraham, Isaac, / and Israel,
To whom Thou swarest to give a land
flowing with / milk and— honey.

And the LORD repented of / the evil
 Which He thought to do un- / to His— people.

Please BE SEATED

THE OFFERING

Please STAND

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.

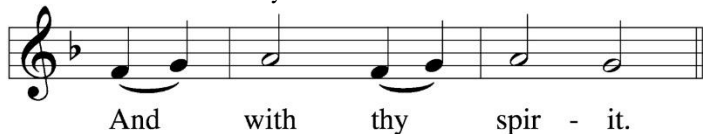
At the conclusion: O Lord, ... one God, now and forever.

Amen.

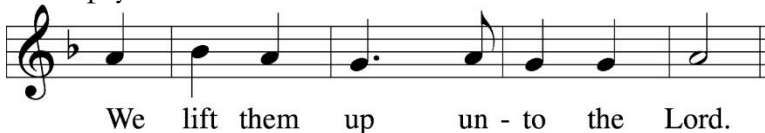
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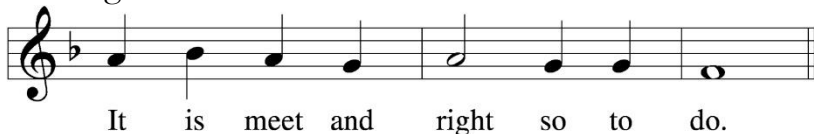
The Lord be with you.



Lift up your hearts.



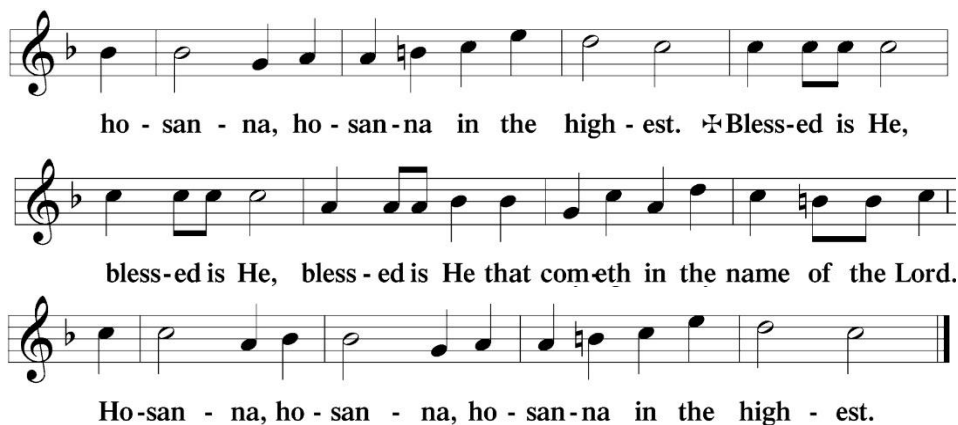
Let us give thanks unto the LORD our God.



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

THE SANCTUS





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.

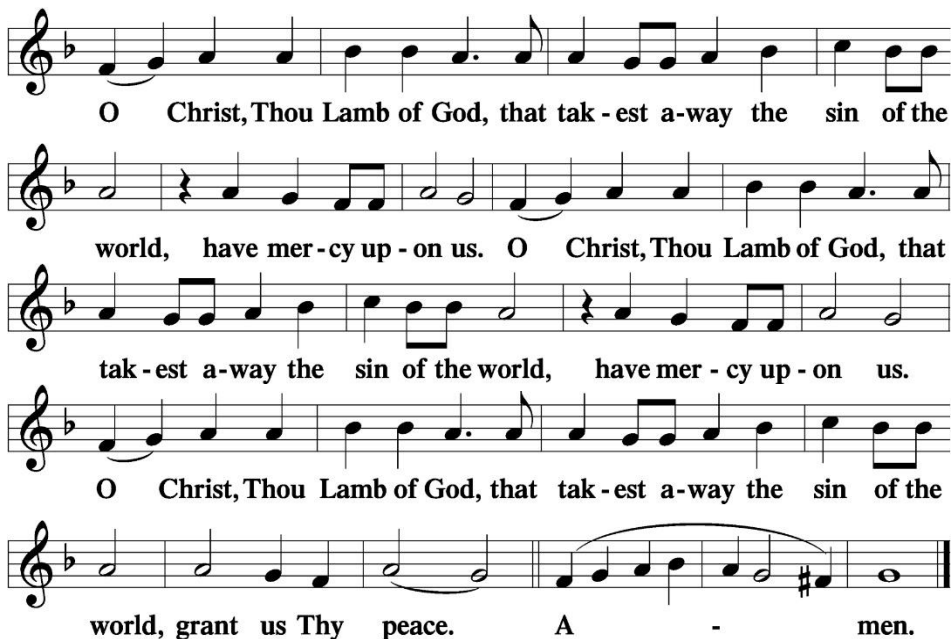
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, DRINK OF IT, ALL OF YOU; THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY ✠ BLOOD, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

THE PAX DOMINI

The ☩ peace of the Lord be with you always.



THE AGNUS DEI



THE COMMUNION VERSE

PSALM 104:13B, 14C-15



The earth is satisfied with the fruit of / Thy works, O Lord.
Thou bringest forth food out / of the— earth;—

**And wine that maketh glad the heart of man,
and oil to make / his face to shine,**

And bread which strengthen- / eth man's— heart.—

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

659 *Lord of Our Life*

634 *The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord*

820 *My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker*

Please STAND

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

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 with - out end. A - men.

THE THANKSGIVING

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



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Let us pray. Quicken us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, by the partaking of these holy Mysteries, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and defended against all temptations; 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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