



LAETARE

Saturday 21 March A♣D 2020

ABIDING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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✠ **DIVINE SERVICE - 10:00am** ✠

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN 617 *O Lord, We Praise Thee*

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING THREE *pg. 184*

INTROIT ISAIAH 66:10A, 11A; PSALM 122:1-2, 6, 8



Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be | glad for her,*
all you who | love her;

that you may nurse and be | satisfied*
from her con- | soling breast.

I was glad when they | said to me,*

“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”

Our feet have been | standing*

within your gates, O Je- | rusalem!

Pray for the peace of Je- | rusalem!*

May they be secure who | love you!

For my brothers and com- | panions’ sake*

I will say, “Peace be with- | in you!”

**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 forever. | Amen.

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all you who | love her;

that you may nurse and be | satisfied*

from her con- | soling breast.

KYRIE *pg. 186*

The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during Lent

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT

ISAIAH 49:8-13

In those days, the prophet Isaiah said, ⁸ Thus says the LORD: “In a time of favor I have answered you; in a day of salvation I have helped you; I will keep you and give you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages, ⁹ saying to the prisoners, ‘Come out,’ to those who are in darkness, ‘Appear.’ They shall feed along the ways; on all bare heights shall be their pasture; ¹⁰ they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them, for he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them. ¹¹ And I will make all my mountains a road, and my highways shall be raised up. ¹² Behold, these shall come from afar, and behold, these from the north and from the west, and these from the land of Syene.” ¹³ Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the LORD has comforted his people and will have compassion on his afflicted.

GRADUAL

PSALM 122:1, 7

EPISTLE

GALATIANS 4:21-31

Brethren: ²¹ Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not listen to the law? ²² For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave woman and one by a free woman. ²³ But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise. ²⁴ Now this may be interpreted allegorically: these women are two covenants. One

is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar.
25 Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. 26 But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. 27 For it is written,

“Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear;
break forth and cry aloud, you who are not in labor!
For the children of the desolate one will be more
than those of the one who has a husband.”

28 Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise. 29 But just as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so also it is now. 30 But what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the slave woman and her son, for the son of the slave woman shall not inherit with the son of the free woman.” 31 So, brothers, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman.

TRACT PSALM 125:1-2, 5B

HOLY GOSPEL ST. JOHN 6:1-15

✠ *At that time,* 1 Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. 2 And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. 3 Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. 4 Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. 5 Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?” 6 He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. 7 Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little.” 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, 9 “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?” 10 Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. 11 Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated.

So also the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, “Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost.” 13 So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. 14 When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, “This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!”

15 Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

NICENE CREED *pg. 191*

HYMN OF THE DAY 743 *Jesus, Priceless Treasure*

SERMON

OFFERTORY *pg. 192*

Offering plate is available before/after service next to the entrance of the nave

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT *pg. 194*

DISTRIBUTION

NUNC DIMITTIS *pg. 199*

THANKSGIVING

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN 556 *Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice*

This morning we will celebrate Holy Communion. 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, we ask that any who have not received Holy Communion from Pastor McCall and desire to receive the Sacrament to first speak with the pastor before service. Those not communing with us today are welcome to come to the altar during Distribution to receive a blessing from the pastor, crossing arms over the chest once knelt to indicate such a desire.