EXAUDI The Sunday After The Ascension

Saturday 23 May A+D 2020



ABIDING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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. Those not communing with us today are welcome to come to the altar during The Distribution to receive a blessing, crossing the arms over the chest once knelt to indicate such a desire.

+ THE DIVINE SERVICE +

10:00am

Opening Hymn

AN LSB **492** On Christ's Ascension I Now Build

Stand

\bigstar The Preparation \bigstar

In the name of the Father and of the \clubsuit Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

ST. MATTHEW (MATTHÄUS) 28:19B; [18:20]

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]

Our help is in the name of the Lord, PSAL

Psalm (Der Psalter) 124:8

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD,

PSALM (DER PSALTER) 32:5

and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father,

who made heaven and earth.

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.

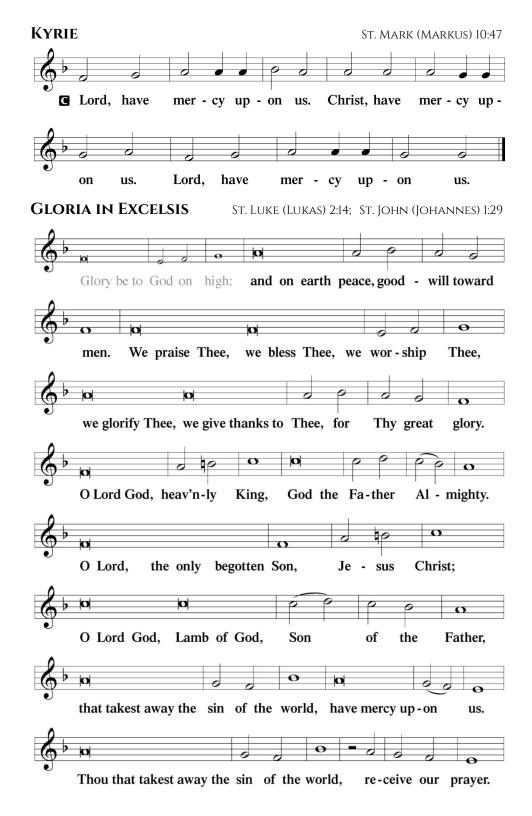
[St. John (Johannes) 20:19–23]

✤ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✤

The Introit Psalm (Der Psalter) 27:7a, 8, 9a; 27:1, 11a, 12



Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud. Alle- | luia. Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- | luia. The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid? Teach me your way, | O LORD; give me not up to the will of my adver- | saries; for false witnesses have risen a- | gainst me, and they breathe out | violence. 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. Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud. Alle- | luia. Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- | luia.





The Lord be with you.



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



SIT

THE OLD TESTAMENT

EZEKIEL (HESEKIEL) 36:22-28

In those days, the Word of the LORD came to the prophet Ezekiel saying, 22 "Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. 23 And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. ²⁴ I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. 25 I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶ And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. ²⁸ You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL AND ALLELUIA

PSALM (DER PSALTER) 47:8;
ST. JOHN (JOHANNES) 14:18A, 28, 16:22B



Alle- | luia!

Alle- | luia!

God reigns over the | nations; God sits on his holy throne. Alle- | luia.

I will not leave you as | orphans;

I am going away, and I will come to you,

and your hearts will rejoice. Alle- | luia!

EPISTLE

Beloved: 7 The end of all things is at hand; therefore be selfcontrolled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. ⁸ Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. 9 Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. 10 As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: 11 whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³ But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. 14 If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

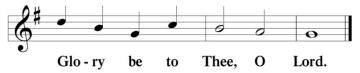
SEQUENCE HYMN

LSB 459 Christ Is Arisen

HOLY GOSPEL

St. John (Johannes) 15:26-16:4

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth and sixteenth chapters.



At that time, Jesus said to His disciples, 26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. ²⁷ And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. 6

16 "I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. ² They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. ³And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. ⁴But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



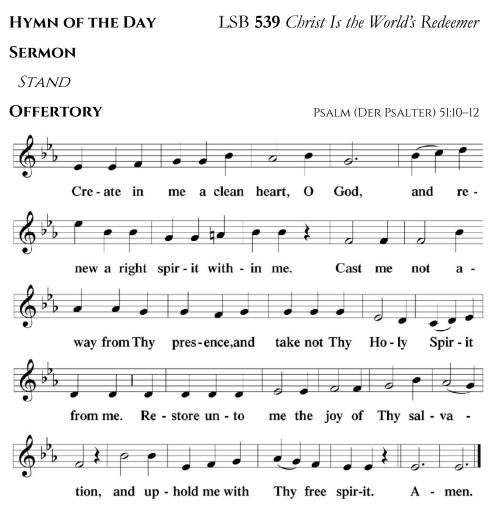
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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

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 4 life of the world to come. Amen.

SIT



Before or after the service, you may place your offering in the plate available at the entrance to the nave.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy (Timotheus) 2:1–4]

After each bid: Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

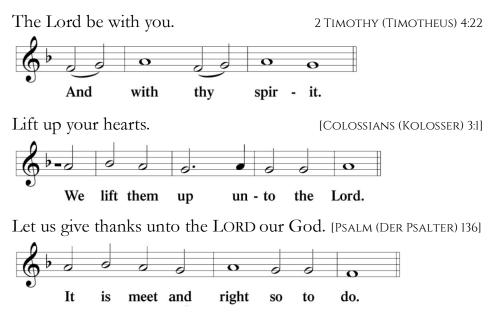
At the conclusion: O Lord, heavenly Father, we here remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Praising His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever

stands for us as our own high priest. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the Marriage Feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Service of + The Sacrament of the Altar +

PREFACE



It is truly meet, 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 after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



forever and ever. Amen



WORDS OF CHRIST'S TESTAMENT ST. MATTHEW (MATTHÄUS) 26:26-28; St. Mark (Markus) 14:22–24; St. Luke (Lukas) 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians (KORINTHER) 11:23-25

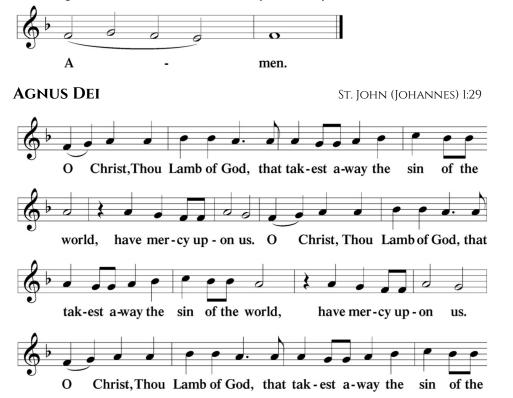
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: TAKE, EAT, 并 THIS IS MY BODY, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.

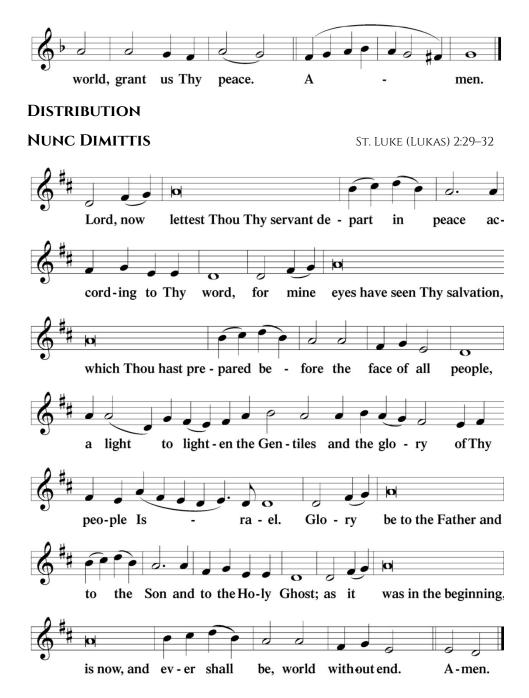
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, DRINK OF IT, ALL OF YOU; ✤ THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY BLOOD, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

PAX DOMINI

St. John (Johannes) 20:19

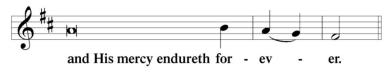
The \mathbf{H} peace of the Lord be with you always.



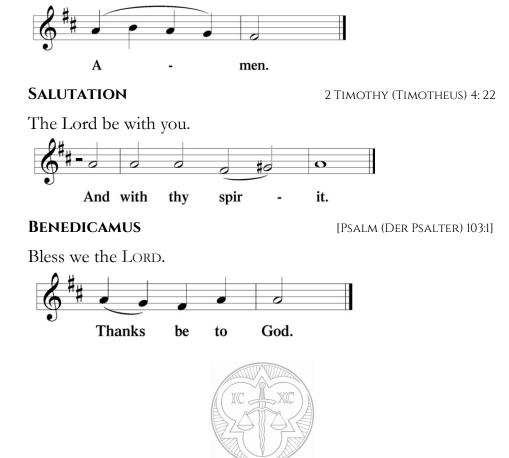


THANKSGIVING

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



Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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 \clubsuit give you peace.



SIT

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 822 Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

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