

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Sunday 3 January A+D 2021



ABIDING SAVIOR/
MOUNT OLIVE
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
CHURCH

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Abiding Savior/Mount Olive Evangelical Lutheran Church is a combined congregation of the English District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. We are committed to the Gospel of Jesus Christ fully presented in the Holy Scriptures, rightly explained in the Lutheran Confessions, and reverently proclaimed in the Divine Service.

Visitors, welcome! We follow a traditional Lutheran order of service, which is based on Holy Scripture and historical practice. The order of service in this bulletin is taken from *Lutheran Service Book* (LSB) Divine Service Setting Three. Please feel free to ask any member of the congregation for help if this is new to you.

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.

Individuals needing pastoral care including private confession and absolution can contact **Pastor Jonathan McCall** at (216) 618-1811 or rev.mccall@pm.me



✠ THE DIVINE SERVICE ✠

10:30am

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 (beginning at the rear of the nave).

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

387 Joy to the World

✠ THE PREPARATION ✠

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

Amen.

ST. MATTHEW 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,
who made heaven and earth.

PSALM 124:8

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

PSALM 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

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.

[ST. JOHN 20:19-23]



✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT

PSALM 8:1, 4-6; ANTIPHON: V. 2



Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have established strength because | of your foes,*
to still the enemy and the a- | venger.

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in | all the earth!*

You have set your glory above the | heavens.

What is man that you are mind- | ful of him,*
and the son of man that you | care for him?

Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings*

and crowned him with glory and | honor.

You have given him dominion over the works | of your hands;*
you have put all things under | his feet.

***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.

Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have established strength because | of your foes,*
to still the enemy and the a- | venger.

KYRIE

ST. MARK 10:47




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



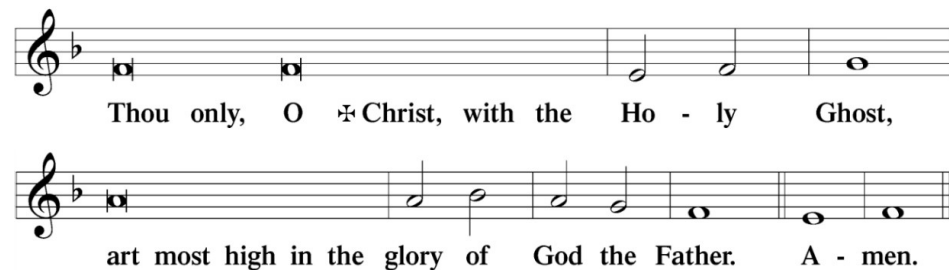
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

ST. LUKE 2:14; ST. JOHN 1:29



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.

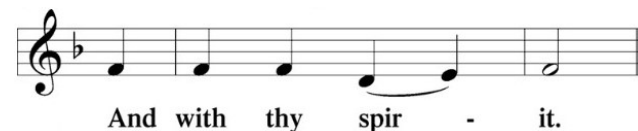


Thou only, O ☩ Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir - it.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A - men.

SIT

OLD TESTAMENT

GENESIS 46:1-7

In those days, ¹Israel took his journey with all that he had and came to Beersheba, and offered sacrifices to the God of his father Isaac. ²And God spoke to Israel in visions of the night and said, "Jacob, Jacob." And he said, "Here I am." ³Then he said, "I am God, the God of your father. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for there I will make you into a great nation. ⁴I myself will go down with you to Egypt, and I will also bring you up again, and Joseph's hand shall close your eyes."

⁵ Then Jacob set out from Beersheba. The sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons that Pharaoh had sent to carry him. ⁶ They also took their livestock and their goods, which they had gained in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob and all his offspring with him, ⁷ his sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters. All his offspring he brought with him into Egypt.

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

GRADUAL

PSALM 106:47; ISAIAH 63:16B



Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from
among the | nations,*
that we may give thanks to your holy name and
glory | in your praise.

**You, O LORD, are our | Father,*
our Redeemer from of old | is your name.**

EPISTLE

1 PETER 4:12-19

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. ¹⁵ But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶ Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷ For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸ And

“If the righteous is scarcely saved,
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

¹⁹ Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

ALLELUIA VERSE

PSALM 145:21



Alle- | luia.*

Alle- | luia.

**My mouth will speak the praise | of the LORD,*
and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.**

Alle- | luia.

HOLY GOSPEL

ST. MATTHEW 2:13-23

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

✠ *At that time,* ¹³ behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” ¹⁴ And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt ¹⁵ and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

¹⁶ Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children

in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. ¹⁷Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

¹⁸ “A voice was heard in Ramah,
weeping and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be comforted, because they are no more.”

¹⁹But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, ²⁰saying, “Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child’s life are dead.” ²¹And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. ²²But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. ²³And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, so that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled, that he would be called a Nazarene.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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.

SIT

HYMN OF THE DAY

385 *From East to West*

SERMON

STAND

OFFERTORY

PSALM 51:10-12

A musical staff in B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter notes: Bb4, C5, D5, Eb5, D5, C5, Bb4. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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.

OFFERING — *Before or after the service, you may place your offering in the congregation respective plates available near the front of the nave close to the exit doors. They are labeled according to congregation membership: Abiding Savior—wooden; Mount Olive—brass.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[I TIMOTHY 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.

SIT

HYMN

624 *The Infant Priest Was Holy Born*

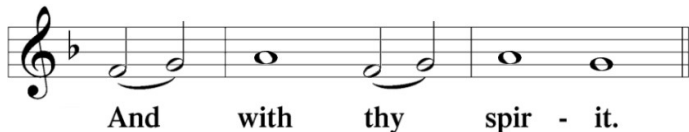
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THE SERVICE OF
✠ THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR ✠

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

2 TIMOTHY 4:22



And with thy spirit - it.

Lift up your hearts.

[COLOSSIANS 3:1]



We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the LORD our God.

[PSALM 136]



It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

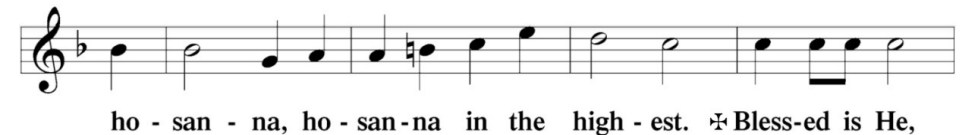
ISAIAH 6:3; ST. MATTHEW 21:9



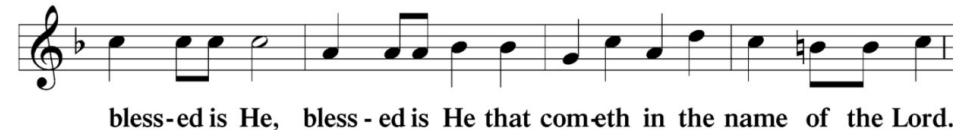
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



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,



bless - ed is He, bless - 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

ST. MATTHEW 6:9-13

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

WORDS OF CHRIST'S TESTAMENT

ST. MATTHEW 26:26-28;

ST. MARK 14:22-24; ST. LUKE 22:19-20; 1 CORINTHIANS 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, ✠ 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 20:19

The ✠ peace of the Lord be with you always.



A - - - men.

AGNUS DEI

ST. JOHN 1:29



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.

SIT

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

362 *O Sing of Christ*

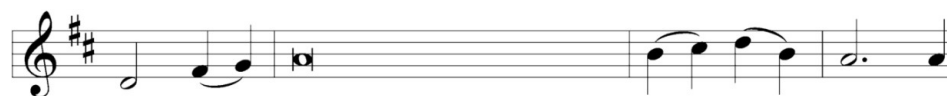
389 *Let All Together Praise Our God*

380 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

STAND

NUNC DIMITTIS

ST. LUKE 2:29-32



Lord, now lett-est 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 without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

PSALM 107:1

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

and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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.

A - men.

SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir - it.

BENEDICAMUS

[PSALM 103:1]

Bless we the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

NUMBERS 6:24–26

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.

RETIRING PROCESSION WITH POSTLUDE

Once the Retiring Procession reaches the narthex, depart in ☩ peace.

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