# SEPTUAGESIMA Sunday 31 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

# 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 (beginning at the rear of the nave).

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 555:1-5 Salvation Unto Us Has Come

# $\bigstar$ The Preparation $\bigstar$

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]

[St. John 20:19–23]

Our help is in the name of the Lord,<br/>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. 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.

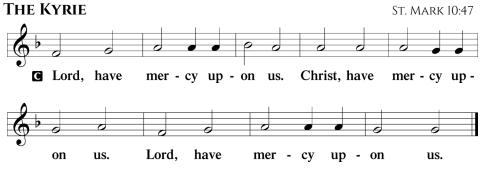
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# ♣ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ♣

**The Introit** PSALM 18:1–2A, 27, 32, 49; ANTIPHON: VV. 5–6A



The cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;\* the snares of death con- | fronted me. In my distress I called up- | on the LORD.\* From his temple he | heard my voice. I love you, O | LORD, my strength.\* The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my de- | liverer. For you save a humble | people,\* but the haughty eyes | you bring down. [You have] equipped | me with strength\* and made my way | blameless. For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the | nations,\* and sing | to your name. 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. The cords of Sheol en- | tangled me;\* the snares of death con- | fronted me. In my distress I called up- | on the LORD.\* From his temple he | heard my voice.



### THE SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.



# THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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# THE OLD TESTAMENT

# Exodus 17:1-7

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

In those days, <sup>1</sup>All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" <sup>3</sup>But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" <sup>4</sup>So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." <sup>5</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup> And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

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

# THE GRADUAL

PSALM 9:9-10, 18-19A



The LORD is a stronghold for | the oppressed,\* a stronghold in times of | trouble.

And those who know your name put their | trust in you,\*

for you, O LORD, have not forsaken

those who | seek you.

For the needy shall not always be for- | gotten,\*

and the hope of the poor shall not perish for- | ever.

A- | rise, O Lord!\*

Let not | man prevail.

# THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 9:24-10:5

*Brethren*: <sup>24</sup> Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. <sup>25</sup> Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. <sup>26</sup> So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. <sup>27</sup> But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

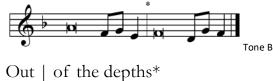
<sup>1</sup>For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup> and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, <sup>3</sup> and all ate the same spiritual food, <sup>4</sup> and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. <sup>5</sup>Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

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

STAND

THE TRACT

PSALM 130:1-4



I cry to you, | O LORD! O Lord, | hear my voice!\* Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy! If you, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,\* O Lord, | who could stand? But with you there is for- | giveness,\* that you | may be feared.

# THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 20:1-16

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



At that time, Jesus spoke this parable to His disciples: 4"For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup> After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup> And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, <sup>4</sup> and to them he said, 'You go into the

vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' 5 So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. 6 And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' 7 They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' 8 And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' 9 And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. 10 Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. <sup>11</sup>And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, 12 saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' <sup>13</sup> But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? <sup>14</sup> Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. 15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' 16 So the last will be first, and the first last."

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.

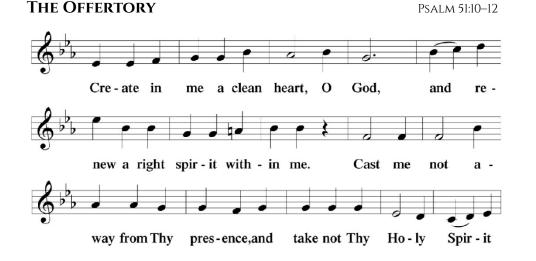
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission 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 555:6-10** Salvation Unto Us Has Come

#### THE SERMON

STAND





**THE 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.

# THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH [1 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.

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# THE HYMN

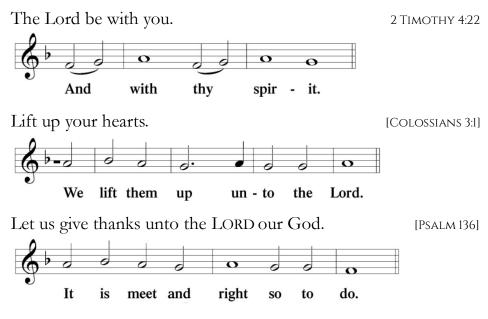
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563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness



# The Service of + The Sacrament of the Altar +

### THE PREFACE



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, who bids us to cleanse our hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, and Who does promise to renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### THE SANCTUS

#### Isaiah 6:3; St. Matthew 21:9





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

St. John 20:19

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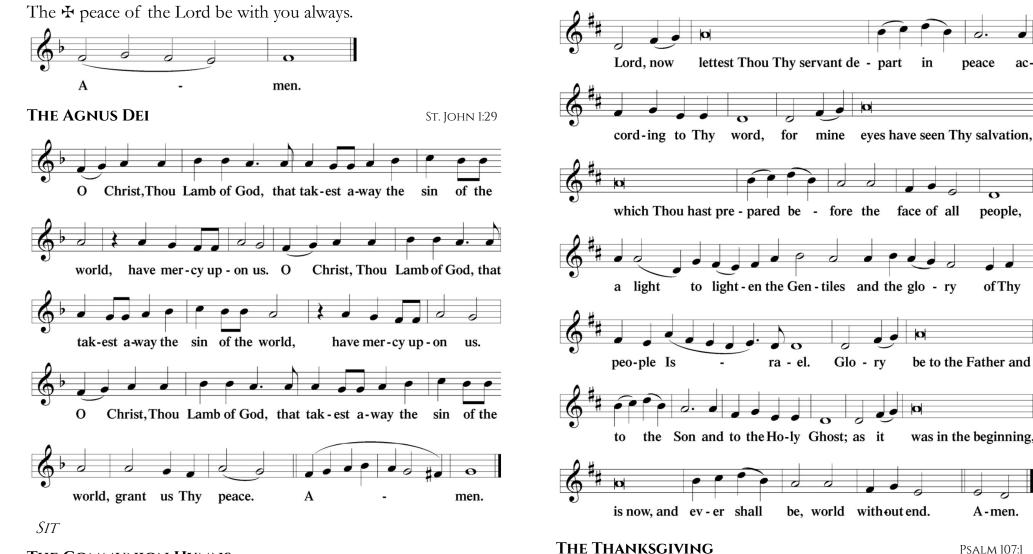
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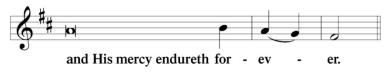
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PSALM 107:1

A-men.

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



# **THE COMMUNION HYMNS**

566 By Grace I'm Saved 536 One Thing's Needful 746 Through Jesus' Blood and Merit

STAND

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.



THE SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

The Lord be with you.



# THE BENEDICAMUS

[PSALM 103:1]

Bless we the LORD.



# THE 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.



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