

# SEXAGESIMA

Sunday 7 February A✠D 2021



## ABIDING SAVIOR/ MOUNT OLIVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ Hymns ✠  
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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](mailto: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

**586** *Preach You the Word*

✠ 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. 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.**

[ST. JOHN 20:19-23]



✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

**THE INTROIT** PSALM 44:1-2, 7-8; ANTIPHON: VV. 23, 25A, 26A



Awake! Why are you sleeping, | O Lord?\*

Rouse yourself! Do not reject us for- | ever!

**For our soul is bowed down | to the dust.\***

**Rise up; come | to our help!**

O God, we have heard with our ears, our fathers have | told us,\*  
what deeds you performed in their days, in the | days of old:  
**you with your own hand drove out the nations,**

**but them you | planted;\***

**you afflicted the peoples, but them you | set free.**

But you have saved us | from our foes\*

and have put to shame those who | hate us.

**In God we have boasted con- | tinually,\***

and we will give thanks to your name for- | ever.

*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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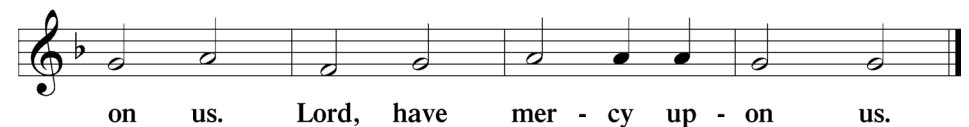
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**THE KYRIE**

ST. MARK 10:47

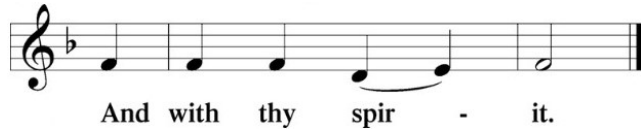


THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *is omitted during Gesimatide*

THE SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

The Lord be with you.



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



SIT

THE OLD TESTAMENT

ISAIAH 55:10-13

*Thus says the LORD God,* <sup>10</sup>“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
<sup>11</sup> so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.  
<sup>12</sup> “For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

<sup>13</sup> Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a name for the LORD, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL

PSALM 83:18, 13



[Let your enemies] know that you alone, whose name | is the LORD,\* are the Most High over | all the earth.

**O my God, make them like | whirling dust,\*  
like chaff be- | fore the wind.**

THE EPISTLE

2 CORINTHIANS 11:19-12:9

*Brethren:* <sup>19</sup>For you gladly bear with fools, being wise yourselves! <sup>20</sup>For you bear it if someone makes slaves of you, or devours you, or takes advantage of you, or puts on airs, or strikes you in the face. <sup>21</sup>To my shame, I must say, we were too weak for that!

But whatever anyone else dares to boast of—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast of that. <sup>22</sup>Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they offspring of Abraham? So am I. <sup>23</sup>Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. <sup>24</sup>Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. <sup>25</sup>Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; <sup>26</sup>on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; <sup>27</sup>in toil and hardship, through

many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. <sup>28</sup> And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches. <sup>29</sup> Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant?

<sup>30</sup> If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. <sup>31</sup> The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. <sup>32</sup> At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas was guarding the city of Damascus in order to seize me, <sup>33</sup> but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall and escaped his hands.

**12** I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. <sup>2</sup> I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. <sup>3</sup> And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— <sup>4</sup> and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. <sup>5</sup> On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses— <sup>6</sup> though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth; but I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. <sup>7</sup> So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. <sup>8</sup> Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. <sup>9</sup> But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

STAND

## THE TRACT

PSALM 60:1–2, 5



O God, you have rejected us, broken our de- | fenses;\*  
you have been angry; oh, re- | store us.

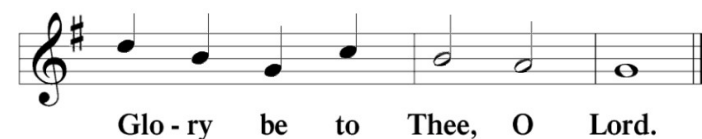
**You have made the land to quake; you have torn it | open;\*  
repair its breaches, for it | totters.**

That your beloved ones may be de- | livered,\*  
give salvation by your right hand and | answer us!

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

ST. LUKE 8:4-15

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.



✠ *At that time,* <sup>4</sup> when a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to [Jesus], he said in a parable, <sup>5</sup> “A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. <sup>6</sup> And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. <sup>7</sup> And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. <sup>8</sup> And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold.” As he said these things, he called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

<sup>9</sup> And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, <sup>10</sup> he said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that ‘seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ <sup>11</sup> Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. <sup>12</sup> The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. <sup>13</sup> And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But

these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. <sup>14</sup> And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. <sup>15</sup> As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

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.

### THE SERMON

STAND

### THE OFFERTORY

PSALM 51:10-12



**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

[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*

**THE HYMN**

**655** *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

*STAND*

THE SERVICE OF  
✠ THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR ✠

**THE PREFACE**

The Lord be with you.

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

And with thy spir - 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, 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

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.

**THE 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

**THE 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.

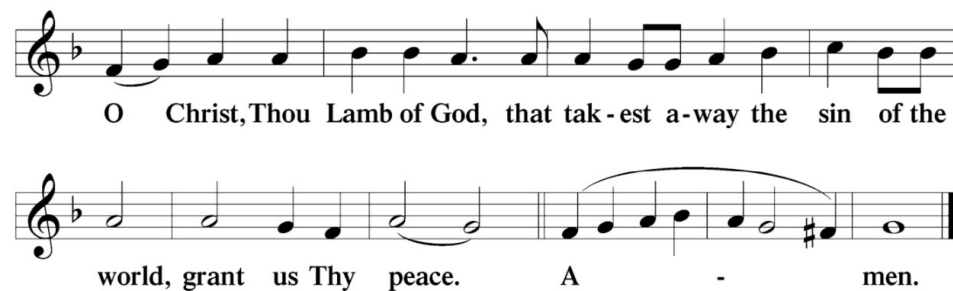
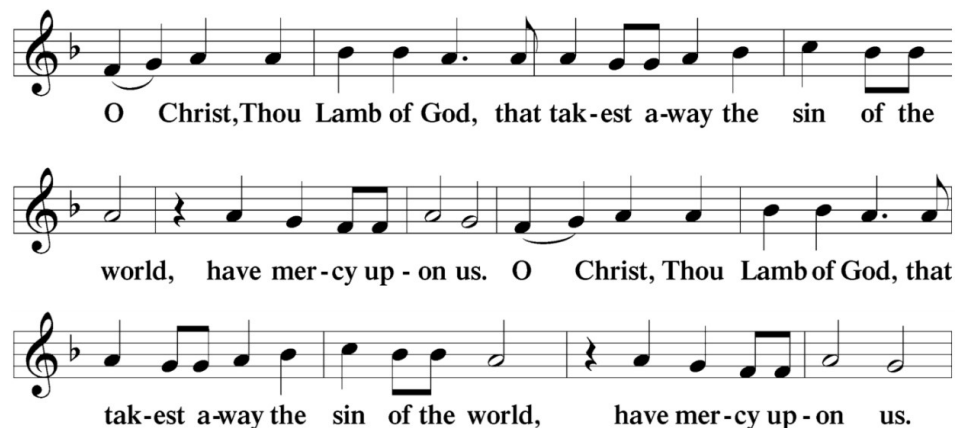
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, DRINK OF IT, ALL OF YOU; ✠ THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY BLOOD, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

**THE PAX DOMINI** ST. JOHN 20:19

The ✠ peace of the Lord be with you always.



**THE AGNUS DEI** ST. JOHN 1:29



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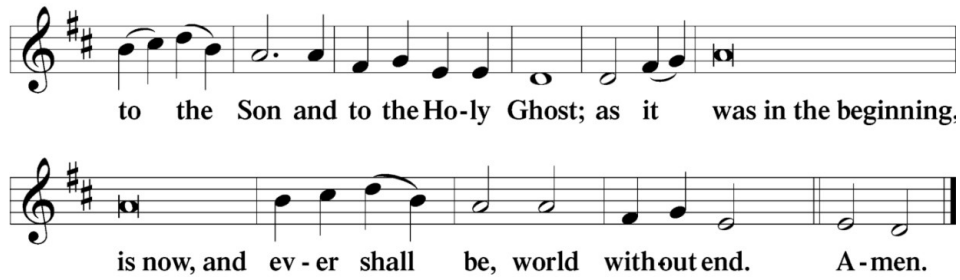
**THE COMMUNION HYMNS**

- 820 *My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker*
- 577 *Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast*
- 834 *O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth*

*STAND*

**THE NUNC DIMITTIS** ST. LUKE 2:29-32



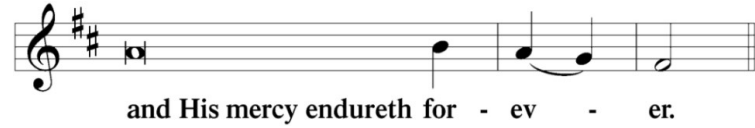


to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

**THE 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.

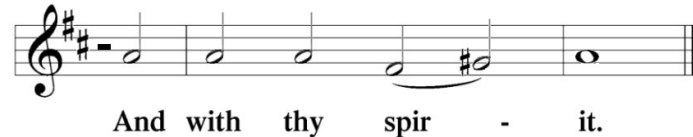


A - men.

**THE SALUTATION**

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

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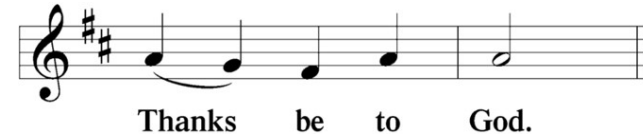


And with thy spir - it.

**THE BENEDICAMUS**

[PSALM 103:1]

Bless we the LORD.



Thanks be to God.

**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.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

**THE RETIRING PROCESSION WITH POSTLUDE**

*Once the Retiring Procession reaches the narthex, depart in ✠ peace.*

