

RORATE COELI

MIDWEEK

Wednesday 22 December A✠D 2021



ABIDING SAVIOR/
MOUNT OLIVE
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
CHURCH

✠ Hymns ✠

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LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

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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 evening we will celebrate Holy Communion.

Visitors who have not before received communion from Pastor McCall are kindly asked to speak with him before Divine Service begins and before approaching the altar for the first time. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar and because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm, it is very important to speak with pastor before service if you desire the Lord's Body and Blood. If you have not had the opportunity to speak with him, we kindly ask that you abstain from seeking the Sacrament until you have spoken with Pastor McCall. 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** ✠

7:00pm

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 as it passes.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

340 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (pg. 184)

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

THE INTROIT

ISAIAH 45:8; PSALM 19:1, 4-6



| Drop down, | ye / heavens, from above,
and let the / skies pour down righteousness:

**Let / the earth open,
and let them / bring forth salvation.**

The heavens declare the glo- / ry of Gôd;
and the firmament / sheweth his handywork.

**Their line is gone / out through all the earth,
and their words to the / end of the world.—**

In them hath he set a taber- / nacle for the sun,
which is as a bridegroom coming / out of his chamber,

And rejoiceth as a strong / man to run a race.

His going forth is from the / end of the heaven,

And his circuit un- / to the ends of it:
and there is nothing / hid from the heat thereof.

***Glory be to the Fa- / ther and to the Son
and to / the Holy Spirit;***

**As it was in / the beginning,
is now, and will be / forever. Amen.**

| Drop down, | ye / heavens, from above,
and let the / skies pour down righteousness:

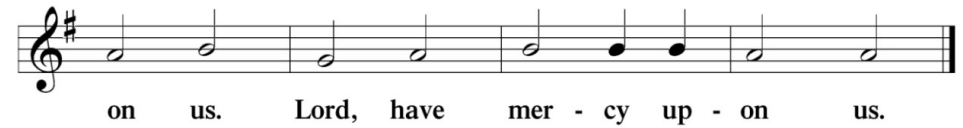
**Let / the earth open,
and let them / bring forth salvation.**

THE 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.

THE SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

SIT

THE EPISTLE

2 PETER 3:8-14

⁸ But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

⁹ The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. ¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

¹¹ Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, ¹² waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! ¹³ But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

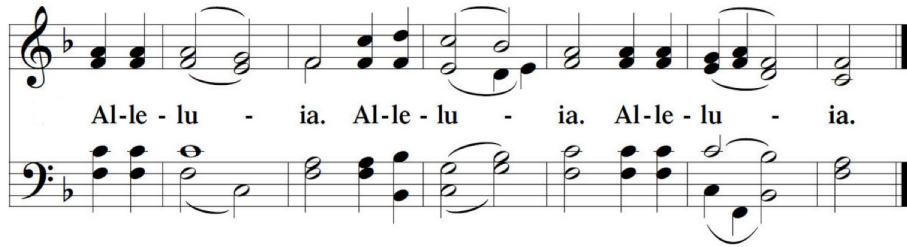
4 Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.

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

THE ALLELUIA VERSE

PSALM 40:17B

Congregation sings the Alleluia; pastor chants the verse; congregation repeats the Alleluia.



Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.



Thou art my help and my / deliverer;
make no tar- / rying,– O my God.

Repeat triple alleluia

THE HOLY GOSPEL

ST. MATTHEW 3:7-11

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

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

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

✠ *At that time,* 7 when [John] saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? 8 Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. 9 And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. 10 Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

11 “I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED (pg. 191)

SIT

THE HYMN OF THE DAY

349 *Hark the Glad Sound*

THE SERMON

STAND

THE OFFERTORY

PSALM 51:10-12



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.

SIT

THE OFFERING

STAND

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, ... one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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 SERVICE OF ✠ THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR ✠

THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

[COLOSSIANS 3:1]

We lift them up unto 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, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. 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;

THE LORD'S PRAYER (pg. 196; *entirely spoken*)

ST. MATTHEW 6:9-13

THE WORDS OF CHRIST'S TESTAMENT (pg. 197)

ST. MATTHEW 26:26-28; ST. MARK 14:22-24
ST. LUKE 22:19-20; 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-25

THE PAX DOMINI

ST. JOHN 20:19

The ✠ peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

THE 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

THE COMMUNION HYMNS

354 *Arise, O Christian People*

357 *The O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

STAND

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

ST. LUKE 2:29-32

Lord, now letteth 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 - tles 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.

THE THANKSGIVING

PSALM 107:1

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

And His mercy endureth forever.

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.

Amen.

THE SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

THE RETIRING PROCESSION WITH POSTLUDE

Please face the Procession as it passes.

Once the Procession reaches the narthex, you may depart in ☩ peace.



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