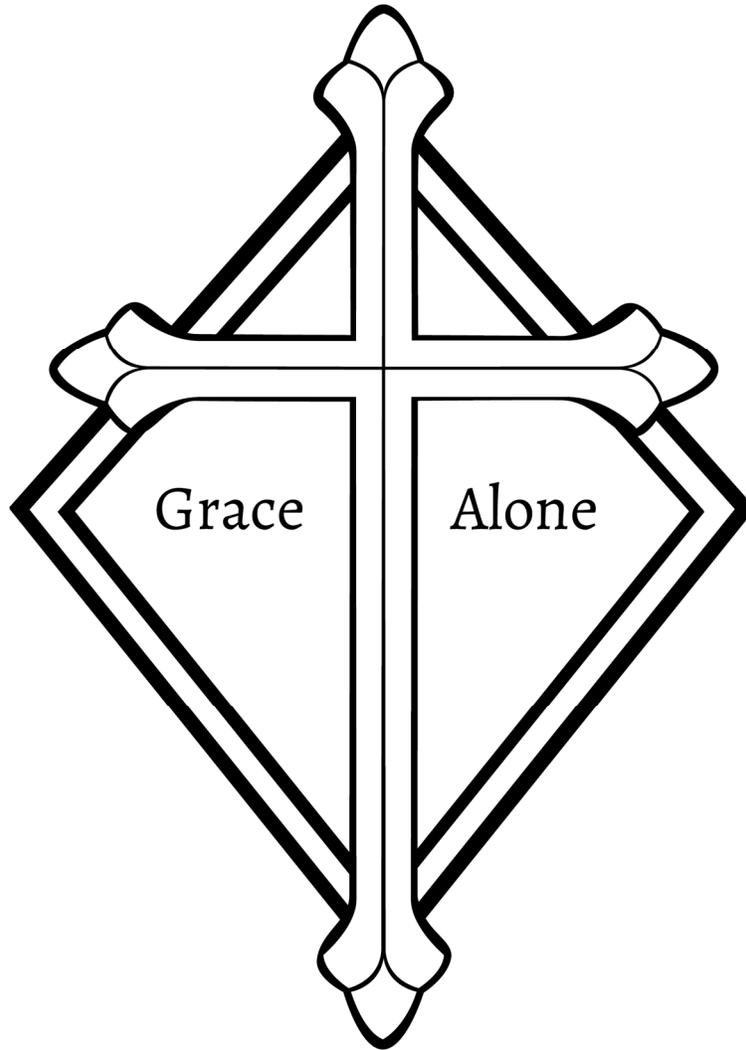


Septuagesima Sunday

Sunday 31 January Anno Domini 2021



*We do not present our pleas before You because of our righteousness,
but because of Your great mercy.*

—Daniel 9:18

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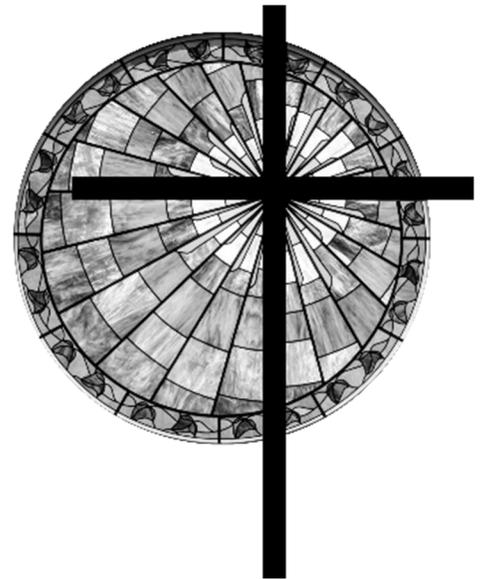
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Welcome to Epiphany Lutheran Church!

**Here is where Jesus answers His promise to be with us always,
by coming to us in His living and active Word and the
Blessed Sacrament of His Body and Blood.**

Welcome, visitors! We are glad to have you with us this morning as the Lord comes to us to give His gifts of forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. The resources of Epiphany are at your disposal. If you need assistance, the ushers are glad to help. Please make sure to introduce yourself to our Pastor and congregation, and join us after the service for fellowship and Bible Study!

Parents of Small Children: We are very happy that you are here today, honoring Our Lord's Words: "Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Lk. 18:16). If you feel you must step out with a fussy child, please hurry back! Like Jesus, we want your children in the Divine Service, not out.

The Sacrament of the Altar is offered at Epiphany every Lord's Day and every Wednesday evening. The normal communicant is a confirmed member of a congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS). Under no circumstances should an un-baptized person commune. **If you are not a member of an LCMS congregation, or have not communed at Epiphany before, please speak with the Pastor or an Elder before the service begins.**



If you need help hearing the service, the sanctuary is equipped with a hearing loop, a special type of sound system that connects directly to hearing aids. Simply set your hearing aid to "T" (telecoil) to connect.

THE THEME OF TODAY'S LITURGY

With today's liturgy, we begin the first of three stages of instruction in the meaning and benefit of Our Lord's Passion, Death, and Resurrection. During the three Sundays before Ash Wednesday, we are instructed in Our Lord's grace. Today we learn that Our Lord's grace does not depend on how hard we work, but that He freely gives what is good (*Gospel*). So our prayer is that "we, who are justly punished for our offenses, may be mercifully delivered by His goodness" (*Collect*). Because this grace is tied to Our Lord and His death, it is your strength, rock and fortress (*Introit*). We can rely on it (*Old Testament*) and trust in it in every need (*Gradual, Tract*). With this grace of Our Lord, we live in the certainty that He has given and continues to give us the incorruptible crown (*Epistle*).

THE PREPARATION

Please **STAND**.

HYMN

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation," 909



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
2 To this tem - ple, where we call You, Come, O Lord of
3 Grant, we pray, to all Your faith - ful All the gifts they
△ 4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Praise and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, Cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
hosts, and stay; Come with all Your lov - ing - kind - ness,
ask to gain; What they gain from You, for - ev - er
to the Son, Praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,



Bind - ing all the Church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's
Hear Your peo - ple as they pray; And Your full - est
With the bless - ed to re - tain; And here - af - ter
Ev - er three and ev - er one: One in might and



help for - ev - er And our con - fi - dence a - lone.
ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in these walls to - day.
in Your glo - ry Ev - er - more with You to reign.
one in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run!

Text: Latin, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale (1818-66), alt.

Tune: Henry Purcell (1659-95), adapt.

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WESTMINSTER ABBEY

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INVOCATION; CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

C Amen.

P 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.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C 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.

P 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.

C Amen.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Psalm 18:1-2a, 27, 32, 49; antiphon: Psalm 18:5-6b



P The cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me. *
In my distress I called upon the Lord. From His temple He | heard my voice.

P I love You, O | Lord, my Strength. *
The Lord is my Rock and my Fortress and my De- | liverer.

C For You save a humble | people, *
but the haughty eyes | You bring down.

P [You have] equipped | me with strength *
and made my way | blameless.

C For this I will praise You, O Lord, among the | nations, *
and sing | to Your name.

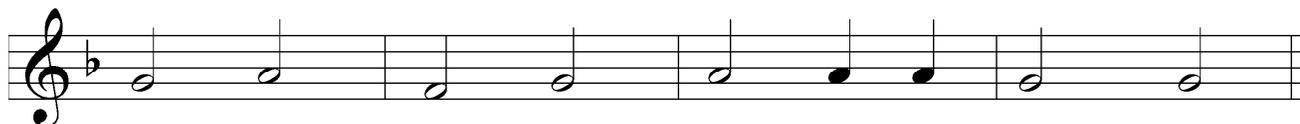
C Glory be to the Father and | to the Son *
 and to the Holy | Spirit;
 as it was in the be- | ginning, *
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P The cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death con- | fronted me. *
 In my distress I called upon the Lord. From His temple He | heard my voice.

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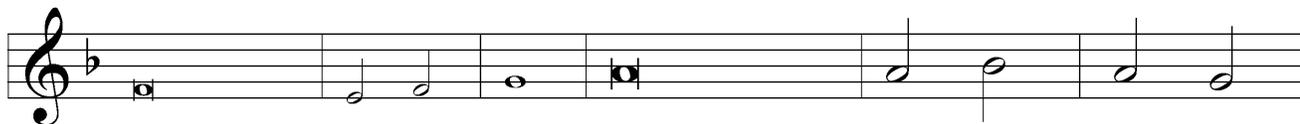


C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



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

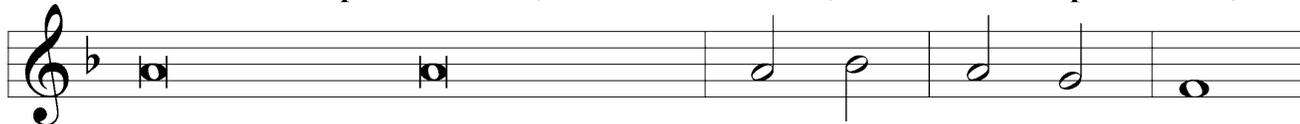
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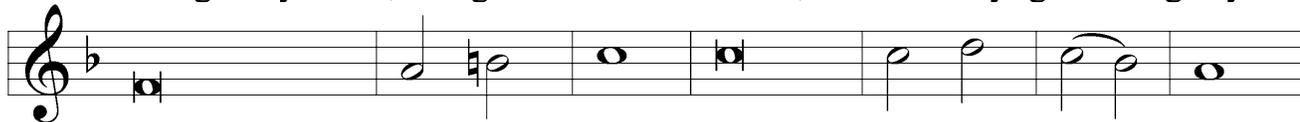
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



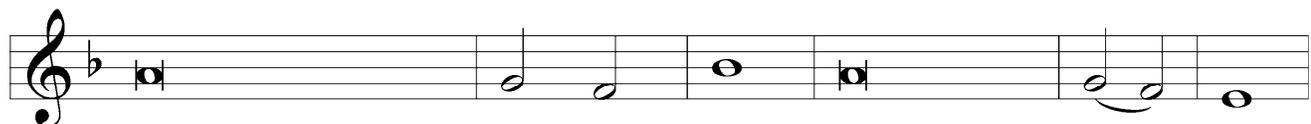
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



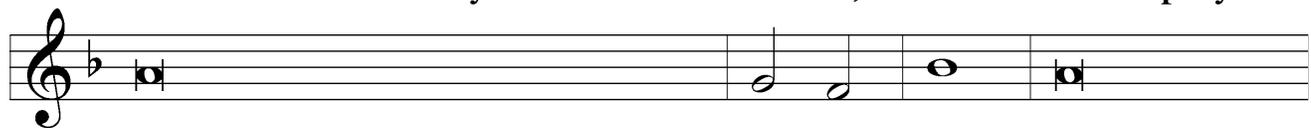
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



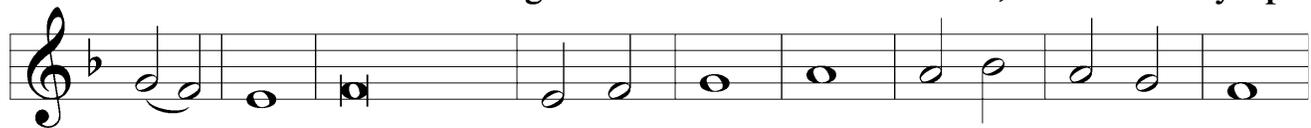
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



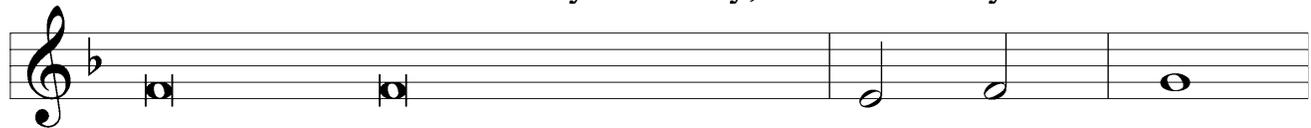
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



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.

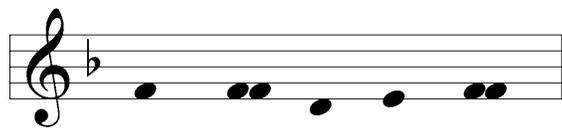


Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

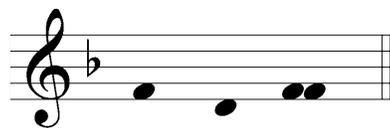
SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



P The Lord be with you.

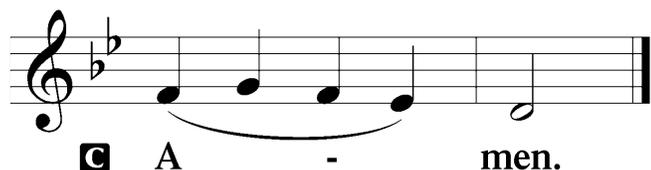


C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech You favorably to hear the prayers of Your people, that we who are justly punished for our offenses may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness, for 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.



Please **BE SEATED**.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 17:1-7

In those days 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. 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?" 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?" So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." 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. 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. 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?"

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalms 9:9-10, 18-19a



P The Lord is a Stronghold for | the oppressed, *
a Stronghold in times of | trouble.

C And those who know Your name put their | trust in You, *
for You, O Lord, have not forsaken those who | seek You.

P For the needy shall not always be for- | gotten, *
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for- | ever.

C A- | rise, O Lord! *
Let not | man prevail.

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 9:24 - 10:5

Brethren: 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. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box

as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

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

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

TRACT

Psalm 130:1-4

P Out | of the depths *

I cry to You, | O Lord!

C O Lord, | hear my voice! *

Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!

P If You, O Lord, should mark in- |iquities, *

O Lord, | who could stand?

C But with You there is for- |givenness, *

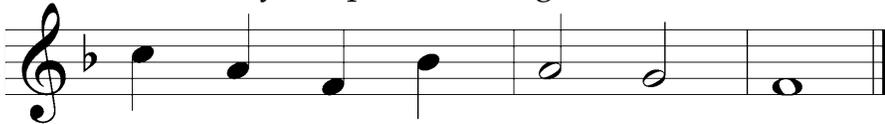
that You | may be feared.

Please **STAND**.

HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 20:1-16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

At that time Jesus spoke this Parable to His disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. 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?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' 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.' And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, 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.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give

to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' So the last will be first, and the first last."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

C 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 \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Please **BE SEATED.**

CHIEF HYMN

“Salvation Unto Us Has Come,” 555 (st. 1-5)



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace and
2 What God did in His Law de - mand And none to Him could
3 It was a false, mis - lead - ing dream That God His Law had
4 From sin our flesh could not ab - stain, Sin held its sway un -
5 Yet as the Law must be ful - filled Or we must die de -



fa - vor; Good works can - not a - vert our doom, They
ren - der Caused wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand For
giv - en That sin - ners could them - selves re - deem And
ceas - ing; The task was use - less and in vain, Our
spair - ing, Christ came and has God's an - ger stilled, Our



help and save us nev - er. Faith looks to Je - sus
man, the vile of - fend - er. Our flesh has not those
by their works gain heav - en. The Law is but a
guilt was e'er in - creas - ing. None can re - move sin's
hu - man na - ture shar - ing. He has for us the



Christ a - lone, Who did - for all the
pure de - sires The spir - it of the
mir - ror bright To bring the in - bred
poi - soned dart Or pu - ri - fy our
Law o - beyed And thus the Fa - ther's



world a - tone; He is our one Re - deem - er.
Law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.
sin to light That lurks with - in our na - ture.
guile - ful heart— So deep is our cor - rup - tion.
ven - geance stayed Which o - ver us im - pend - ed.

Text: Paul Speratus (1484-1551); tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941, alt.

Tune: *Etlich Cristlich lider*, Wittenberg, 1524

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SERMON

Please **STAND**.

OFFERTORY



C 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.

Please **STAND**.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

after each petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy, | *or* | **P** ...let us pray to the Lord.
C hear our prayer. | **C** Lord, have mercy.

the prayers conclude:

P ...one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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VOLUNTARY

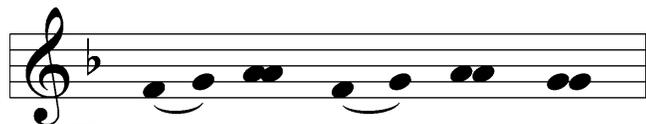
During the voluntary, the Celebrant prepares the Altar for the Supper. You are encouraged to prepare your heart and mind for Holy Communion. Psalms 34, 42, 84, and 116 are especially suitable.

Your offering may be deposited in the plate located near the Baptismal Font when you go to the Altar for Holy Communion.

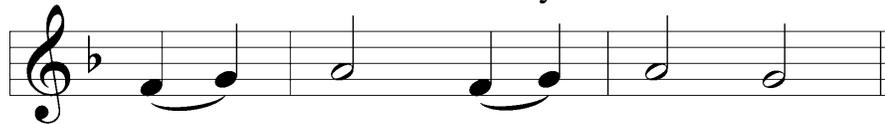
THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Please **STAND**.

PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE



P The Lord be with you.



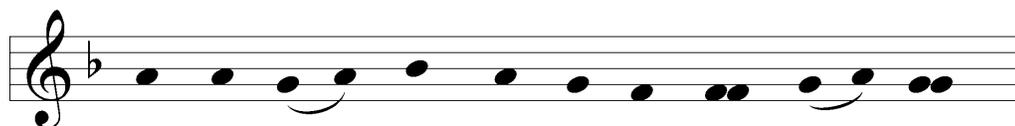
C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C 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,



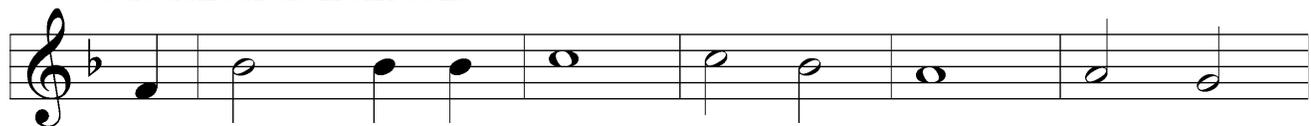
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



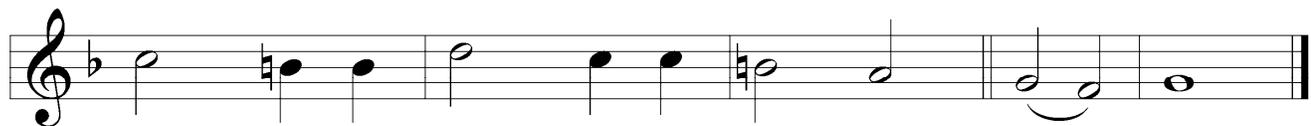
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

P 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.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

P 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."

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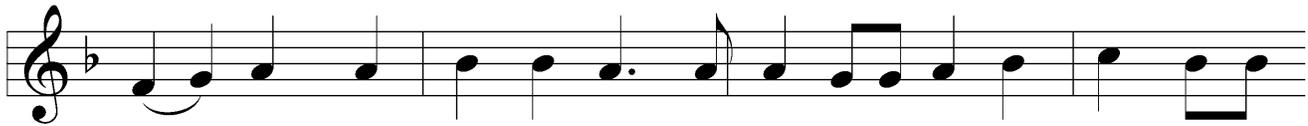


P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI



C 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.

Please **BE SEATED.**

DISTRIBUTION OF OUR LORD'S BODY AND BLOOD

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“By Grace I’m Saved,” 566



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and
 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct
 3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to
 4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?
 have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,
 bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it
 true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must
 Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our
 That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and
 What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.
 sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.
 grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.
 God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble
 In tribulation's furnace tried,
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
 The Father's heart is open wide.
 Where could I help and strength secure
 If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! I'll rest on this when dying;
 In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
 For though I know my heart's condition,
 I also know my Savior's voice.
 My heart is glad, all grief has flown
 Since I am saved by grace alone.

Text: Christian Ludwig Scheidt (1709-61); tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941, alt.

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Tune: Cornelius Heinrich Dretzel (1679-1775)

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"Salvation Unto Us Has Come," 555 (st. 6-10)



6 Since Christ has full a - tone-ment made And brought to us sal-
 7 Let me not doubt, but tru - ly see Your Word can - not be
 8 The Law re - veals the guilt of sin And makes us con - science-
 9 Faith clings to Je - sus' cross a - lone And rests in Him un-
 Δ 10 All bless - ing, hon - or, thanks, and praise To Fa - ther, Son, and



va - tion, Each Chris - tian there - fore may be glad And
 bro - ken; Your call rings out, "Come un - to Me!" No
 strick - en; But then the Gos - pel en - ters in The
 ceas - ing; And by its fruits true faith is known, With
 Spir - it, The God who saved us by His grace; All



build on this foun - da - tion. Your grace a - lone, dear
 false - hood have You spo - ken. Bap - tized in - to Your
 sin - ful soul to quick - en. Come to the cross, trust
 love and hope in - creas - ing. For faith a - lone can
 glo - ry to His mer - it. O tri - une God in



Lord, I plead, Your death is now my
 pre - cious name, My faith can - not be
 Christ, and live; The Law no peace can
 jus - ti - fy; Works serve our neigh - bor
 heav'n a - bove, You have re - vealed Your



life in - deed, For You have paid my ran - som.
 put to shame, And I shall nev - er per - ish.
 ev - er give, No com - fort and no bless - ing.
 and sup - ply The proof that faith is liv - ing.
 sav - ing love; Your bless - ed name we hal - low.

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"O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace," 693



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, grant us grace That we our Lord and Sav - ior
 2 Help us that we Thy sav - ing Word In faith - ful hearts may trea - sure;
 3 And when our earth - ly race is run, Death's bit - ter hour im - pend - ing,



In faith and fer - vent love em - brace And tru - ly serve Him ev - er.
 Let e'er that Bread of Life af - ford New grace in rich - est mea - sure.
 Then may Thy work in us be - gun Con - tin - ue till life's end - ing,



The hour of death can - not bring loss When we are shel - tered
 O make us die to ev - 'ry sin, Each day cre - ate new
 Un - til we glad - ly may com - mend Our souls in - to our



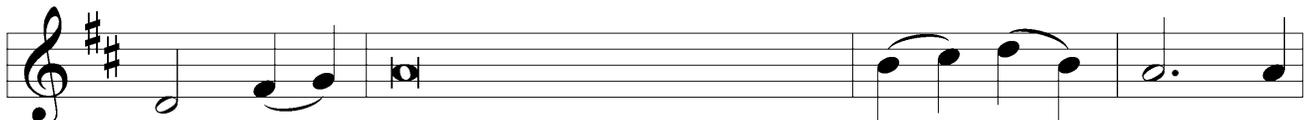
by the cross That can - celed our trans - gres - sions.
 life with - in, That fruits of faith may flour - ish.
 Sav - ior's hand, The crown of life ob - tain - ing.

Text: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt (1532-99); tr. Oluf H. Smeby (1851-1929), alt.
 Tune: *Geistliche Lieder aufs new gebessert*, Wittenberg, 1535, ed. Joseph Klug
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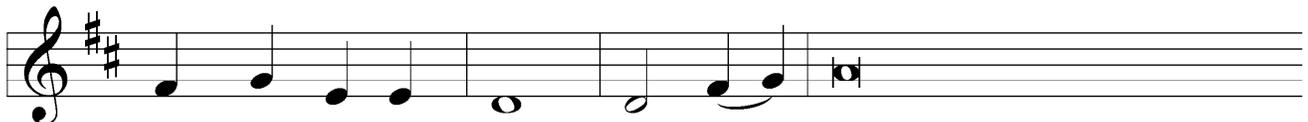
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Please **STAND**.

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Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

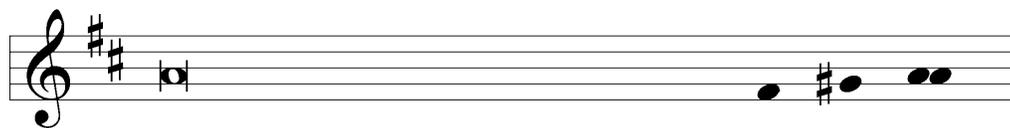


which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

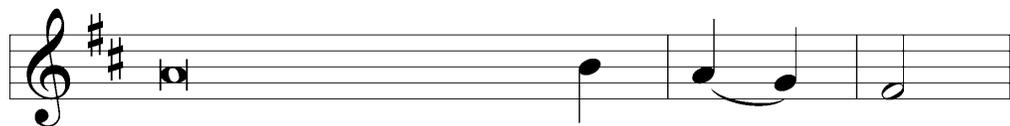


a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

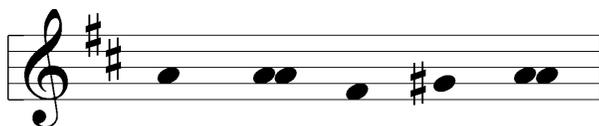
P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

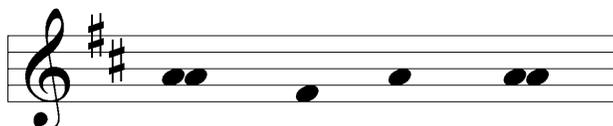
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P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

P 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.



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

CLOSING HYMN

“Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness,” 563



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
 3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
 4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
 deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
 mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
 on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
 these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
 lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
 ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

5 When from the dust of death I rise
 To claim my mansion in the skies,
 This then shall be my only plea:
 Jesus hath lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee
 Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
 For me, and all Thy hands have made,
 An everlasting ransom paid.

Text: Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf (1700-60); tr. John B. Wesley (1703-91), alt.

Tune: George J. Elvey (1816-93)

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Announcements

TODAY IN ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Today will be the second part of our study on how Scripture was written and preserved through the years. Today we will also examine English translations and discuss the art of translation and how to pick the best one for reading and study.

WMLHS DRAMA PRODUCTION RESCHEDULED

West Michigan Lutheran High School's fall play, *All I Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*, will now be on **March 26 and 27**. The production is a storytelling piece based on Robert Fullghum's first five best-selling books. These entertaining stories deliver a heartfelt perspective on everyday life, and the profound echoes that reverberate through it. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, tickets need to be reserved in advance, as seating at the door will be restricted. Watch for updates. Be sure to save the dates Friday, March 26 at 7 PM and Saturday, March 27 at 3 PM.

WMLHS FUNDRAISER AUCTION

The West Michigan Lutheran auction is coming virtually to a web browser near you! Mark for calendars for this Miedema-auctioneered event that starts **February 22**. All proceeds go toward the tuition assistance program.

The WML auction committee is searching for donations from our community – craft items, food, your services. Perhaps your employer might make a donation? Please email Kristine Angers (kangers@wmlhs.org) or Leah Guis (lraeguis3@gmail.com) if you have something to donate for the auction. *Thank you for supporting YOUR Lutheran school!*

<u>STEWARDSHIP LAST WEEK</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Communicants</u>	<u>Offerings</u>
Sunday (1/24)	34	29	\$1,415

Serving Today

Celebrant and Preacher Rev. Ryan Beffrey
Organist..... Diane Scott
Floor Elder Paul Cook
Serving Elder Mark MacIntosh
Acolyte Charlotte Hiscock
Counters..... Philip Maass & Pam Ihle
Altar Guild..... Shelia Haskill
Flowers

Serving Next Sunday

Floor Elder Mark MaIntosh
Serving Elder David Steffens
Acolyte Jack Cook
Counters..... Rod Killips & Laurie Hiscock
Altar Guild..... Bev PIPps & Pam Ihle
Flowers

In Our Prayers

Those with cancer

Keri Jastifer, Ted Mattingly, Darrell Dombrowski, Bill Miller, Todd Henderson, Bobby Vollman, Cameron Scott, Pam Peterman, Charlene Moore, Raquel Steffes, Keith Lundgren.

Those with health issues, difficulties, and challenges

Ken Zyk, Carol Powell, Norma Biggs, Shanda Brennan, Hannah Kelsey, Nathan Martin, Kitty Young, Alvina Hoffbeck, Doris Uramkin, Karen Garlock, Jeri Barthel, Pam Ashley, Jill White, Lynn Hyatt, Connie Kaniewski, Janet Lundgren.

Those who are pregnant

Jordan & Julie Velie

Our church work students

Zachariah and Claire Burgdorf, Timothy and Hanna Kern, Timothy and Chelsie Schmeisser.

Those serving in our Armed Forces

Hector and Natasha Brojas, Jordan Velie, Jacob Almaguer, Joshua Cipolla, Trent Beffrey, Lucas Golm, Brittany Warf, David Mills.

Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week

Pam Ihle (02/05), Mark MacIntosh (02/05)

Those celebrating Baptism birthdays this week

This Week at Epiphany

Today (1/31).....Divine Service - 9:15 AM
Sunday School - 15 minutes after service ends
Adult Bible Study - 10:45 AM

Wednesday (2/3).....Confirmation - 12:00 PM

Sunday (2/7)Divine Service - 9:15 AM
Sunday School - 15 minutes after service ends
Adult Bible Study - 10:45 AM

Looking Ahead

2/10 Food Truck
2/17 Ash Wednesday
2/21 Council Meeting

Next Sunday - Sexagesima Sunday

Scripture Alone—The Fourfold Field

Psalm 44 (antiphon: v. 26)
Old Testament Isaiah 55:10-13
Epistle 2 Corinthians 11:19 - 12:9
Gospel St. Luke 8:4-15
Chief Hymn "May God Bestow on Us His Grace," LSB 823