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PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL + SEEK THE THIRSTY + TEACH THE WORD

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Today, God's Word gives us the assurance that because our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ has chosen to take our suffering and death into Himself by His cross, all who are baptized into His saving death are given the power of faith to love God and pursue His ways of life according to His good and gracious Law and Gospel. Blessed is the man whose "delight is in the law of the LORD" (Psalm 1:2).

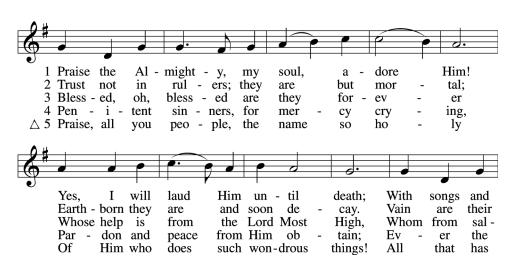
† Preparation †

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

Praise the Almighty

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INVOCATION

Pastor In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen. Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Hebrews 10:22

Pastor 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.

Pastor Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People Who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

Pastor Come, let us walk in the light of the LORD,

People That He may teach us His ways and that we may walk in His paths..

Isaiah 2:3. 5

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

Pastor Since God graciously calls all people to come to Him to receive His love and life through

repentance of sin and faith in His gift of forgiveness, let us confess our sin, take refuge in

His mercy, and seek His grace for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People Most merciful God, we come before You at Your gracious invitation. We repent of

our sins in thought, word, and deed, both by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole being. We have failed to love our neighbors. We plead through the deliverance of Your Son's suffering and death,

forgive us our sins, and give us the will to choose life in His name. Amen.

Pastor "The word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it." In

the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you

all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

t Service of the Word t

INTROIT Psalm 119:28-32; antiphon: v. 27

Pastor Make me understand the way of your precepts, and I will meditate on your wondrous

works.

People My soul melts away for sorrow; strengthen me according to your word!

Pastor Put false ways far from me and graciously teach me your law!

People I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I set your just decrees before me.

Pastor I cling to your testimonies, O Lord; let me not be put to shame!

People I will run in the way of your commandments when you enlarge my heart!.

ALL Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

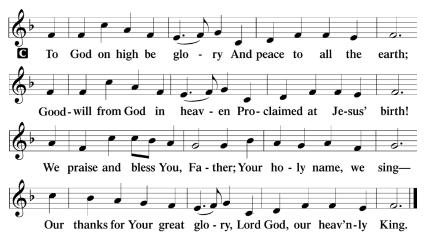
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C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

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SALUTATION

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor Let us pray.

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O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰Ioving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Lector This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING Philemon 1-21

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ² and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, ⁵because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints, ⁶and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. ⁷For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.

⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, ⁹yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus—

¹⁰I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. ¹¹(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) ¹²I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. ¹⁵For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

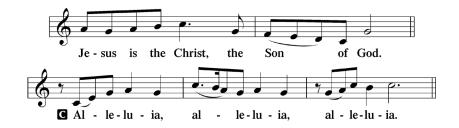
Lector This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

(Please rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel)

ALLELUIA & VERSE LSB 205





HOLY GOSPEL Luke 14:25-35

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.

People Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁵Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a

thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

³⁴"Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

ALL I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

SERMON HYMN

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

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SERMON

Rev. Shawn Deterding

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

† Service of the Sacrament †

PREFACE

People

Pastor The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

People We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

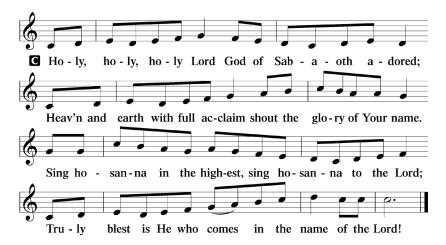
Psalm 136

People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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 LSB 208



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

Pastor Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

ALL 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 OUR LORD

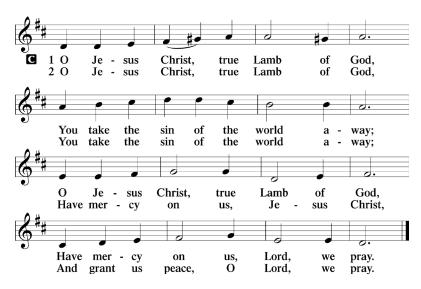
Matt. 26:26-28: Mark 14:22-24: Luke 22:19-20: 1 Cor. 11:23-25

PAX DOMINI John 20:19

Pastor The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People Amen.

AGNUS DEI



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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary

gift, and we implore 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.

People Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

Pastor Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24-26

Pastor The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

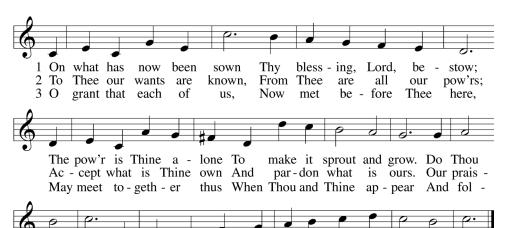
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

People Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

On What Has Now Been Sown

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in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise! es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless-ing give. low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

Go in peace

- + Join us for our Adult Bible Study class at 9:30 AM in the Sanctuary led by Pastor Deterding.
- + Children's Sunday School begins at 9:30 AM in the upstairs classrooms.

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Giving is an act of grace through which we gratefully respond to God's kindness to us in Jesus Christ. Tithes and offerings may be given through your banking institution's bill pay service, online via our website, or by texting your amount to 469-515-8118. (Contact the church office for special text giving commands.)



ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this week are given in praise and glory to God by Dean & Sarah S. in honor of their wedding anniversary.

