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PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL ✝ SEEK THE THIRSTY ✝ TEACH THE WORD

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✝ Welcome ✝

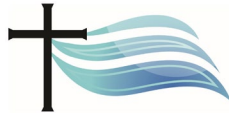
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✝ As We Gather ✝

We all have a past. The gift of God is that He forgives our sinful past, restores us to be His own and live under Him in His kingdom, and bears in us the fruit of the Kingdom now and the prize of everlasting life in His own time. All of this we know now by faith, trusting in the righteousness that God has given to us in Christ and not in ourselves.

*The service in its entirety is printed in this service bulletin.*



✝ Preparation ✝

### OPENING HYMN

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

LSB 809



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shadow of turning with Thee.  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above guide;  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to



Thou change - est not: Thy compassions, they fail not;  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thousand be - side!



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

## INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*1 John 1:8-9*

*(Silence for reflection and self-examination)*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## ☩ Service of the Word ☩

### INTROIT

*Psalm 118:22-24; antiphon; v.1*

P Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

**C The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.**

P This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

**C This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**C 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.**

### KYRIE

*LSB, p. 152-53*

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation  
let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the  
Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their  
Worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB, p. 154

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.  
C *(sung)* Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:  
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:  
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.  
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.  
C **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.  
C **Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**



## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 5:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard:  
My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.  
<sup>2</sup>He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines;  
he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it;  
and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.  
<sup>3</sup>And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah,  
judge between me and my vineyard.  
<sup>4</sup>What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it?  
When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?  
<sup>5</sup>And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard.  
I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured;  
I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.  
<sup>6</sup>I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
and briars and thorns shall grow up;  
I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

<sup>7</sup>For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel,  
and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting;  
and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed;  
for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

R This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE READING

**Philippians 3:4b-14**

If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. <sup>7</sup>But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup>Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup>and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— <sup>10</sup>that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup>that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup>Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*(Please rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel)*

**ALLELUIA** *(sung)*

*LSB, p. 156*

*Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

**Matthew 21:33-46**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>33</sup>[Jesus said:] "Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. <sup>34</sup>When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. <sup>35</sup>And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup>Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. <sup>37</sup>Finally he sent his son to

them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>38</sup>But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' <sup>39</sup>And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. <sup>40</sup>When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" <sup>41</sup>They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons."

<sup>42</sup>Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. <sup>44</sup>And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

<sup>45</sup>When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup>And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## NICENE CREED

**ALL 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.**



1 One thing's need - ful; Lord, this trea - sure Teach me high - ly  
 3 Wis - dom's high - est, no - blest trea - sure, Je - sus, is re -  
 4 Noth - ing have I, Christ, to of - fer, You a - lone, my  
 5 There - fore You a - lone, my Sav - ior, Shall be all in



to re - gard. All else, though it first give plea - sure,  
 vealed in You. Let me find in You my plea - sure,  
 high - est good. Noth - ing have I, Lord, to prof - fer  
 all to me; Search my heart and my be - hav - ior,



Is a yoke that press - es hard! Be - neath it the  
 And my way - ward will sub - due, Hu - mil - i - ty  
 But Your crim - son - col - ored blood. Your death on the  
 Root out all hy - poc - ri - sy. Through all my life's



heart is still fret - ting and striv - ing, No true, last - ing hap - pi - ness  
 there and sim - plic - i - ty reign - ing, In paths of true wis - dom my  
 cross has death whol - ly de - feat - ed And there - by my righ - teous - ness  
 pil - grim - age, guard and up - hold me, In lov - ing for - give - ness, O



ev - er de - riv - ing. This one thing is need - ful; all oth - ers are  
 steps ev - er train - ing. If I learn from Je - sus this knowl - edge di -  
 ful - ly com - plet - ed; Sal - va - tion's white rai - ments I there did ob -  
 Je - sus, en - fold me. This one thing is need - ful; all oth - ers are



vain— I count all but loss that I Christ may ob - tain!  
 vine, The bless - ing of heav - en - ly wis - dom is mine.  
 tain, And in them in glo - ry with You I shall reign.  
 vain— I count all but loss that I Christ may ob - tain!



## SERMON

“\_\_\_\_\_ *Breathes Faith into the Flesh*”  
Based on Philippians 3:4b-14

Rev. Shawn Deterding

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY *(sung)*

LSB, p. 159-160

*What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### ✠ *Service of the Sacrament* ✠

### PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

*Colossians 3:1*

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*Psalms 136*

**C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for in Him, You have shown Your saving love and have given us Your Word to bless and encourage us. Grant that we may live in humility and receive the body and blood of our Lord as a guarantee of our salvation and as a foretaste of the feast to come in Your heavenly kingdom. 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 *(sung)*

LSB, p. 161

*Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

- P Holy and mighty Lord, we give You thanks for having made all things and for Your patient mercy in dealing with us sinners who deserved nothing of Your kindness. Grant us grace in Christ that all our sins be forgiven and that we be covered with the righteousness of Christ. Grant that we may worthily approach the Table of our Lord today and in eternity be welcomed into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom without end. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C **Our Father who art in heaven...**

**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*

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C **Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI** *(sung)*

*LSB, p. 163*


*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.*  
*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.*  
*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.*

**DISTRIBUTION ~ Welcome to the Lord’s table.** *(An usher will direct you.)*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

*Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise*

*LSB 680*



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -  
2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the  
3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the  
4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the  
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head  
 prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree  
 ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee  
 won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise  
 dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree

Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the  
 Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the  
 Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly

sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the  
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the  
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the  
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the  
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the

vine-yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
 liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
 won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.  
 splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE *(sung)*

LSB, p. 164-65

*Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.  
 Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
 He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
 with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.*

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P** 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.

**C** **Amen.**

## BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## BENEDICTION

*Numbers 6:24-26*

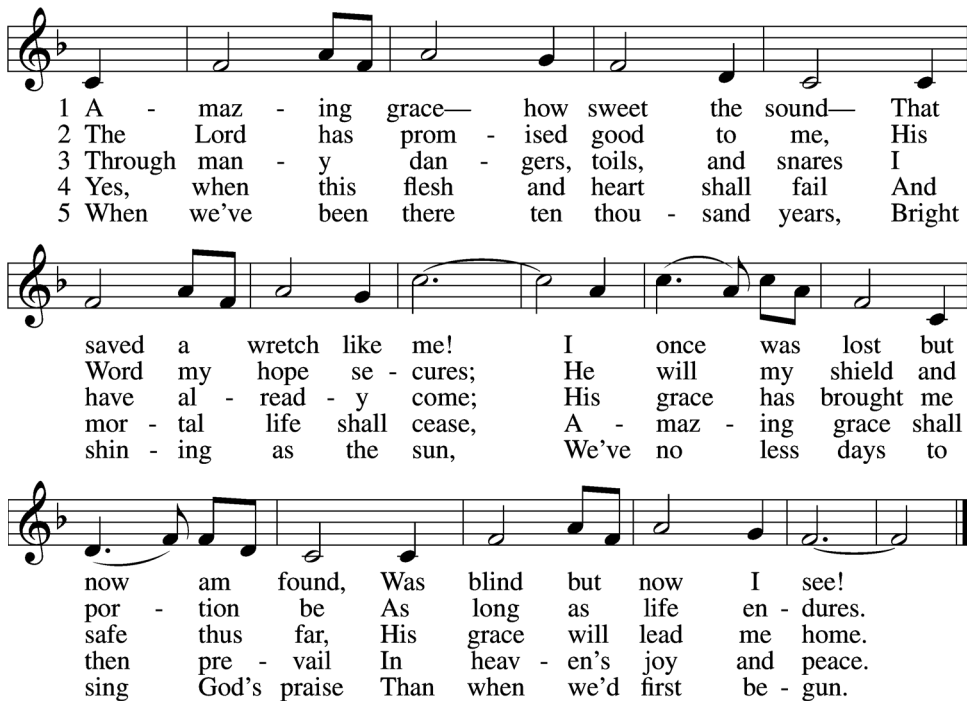
P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

*Amazing Grace*

*LSB 744*



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That  
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And  
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and  
have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me  
mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall  
shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to

now am found, Was blind but now I see!  
por - tion be As long as life en - dures.  
safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.  
then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.  
sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

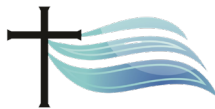


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