

# WATER OF LIFE

## LUTHERAN CHURCH




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**PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL ✠ SEEK THE THIRSTY ✠ TEACH THE WORD**

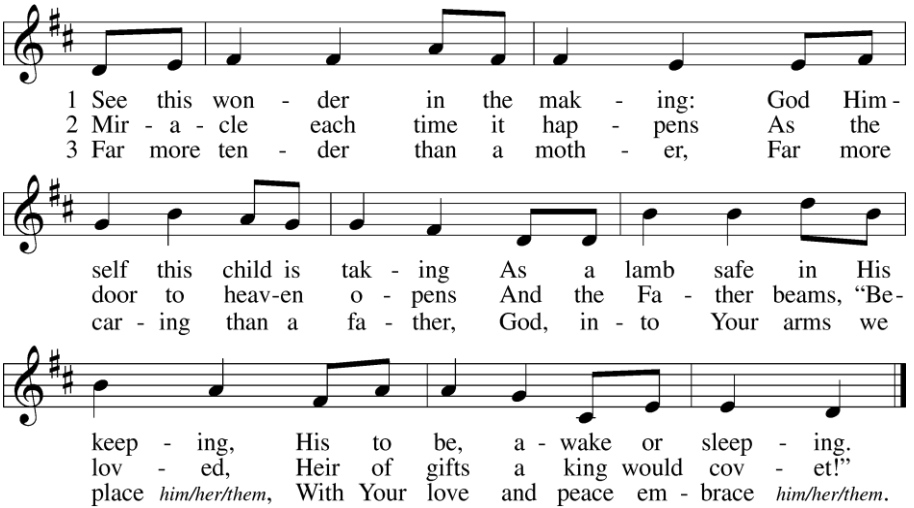
**Preparation** 

**PROCESSIONAL** *(Please stand and face the processional cross)*

**BAPTISMAL HYMN**

*See this Wonder in the Making*

*LSB 593, v. 1-3*



1 See this won - der in the mak - ing: God Him -  
2 Mir - a - cle each time it hap - pens As the  
3 Far more ten - der than a moth - er, Far more

self this child is tak - ing As a lamb safe in His  
door to heav-en o - pens And the Fa - ther beams, "Be-  
car - ing than a fa - ther, God, in - to Your arms we

keep - ing, His to be, a - wake or sleep - ing.  
lov - ed, Heir of gifts a king would cov - et!"  
place *him/her/them*, With Your love and peace em - brace *him/her/them*.

**INVOCATION**

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

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

**C** **Amen.**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

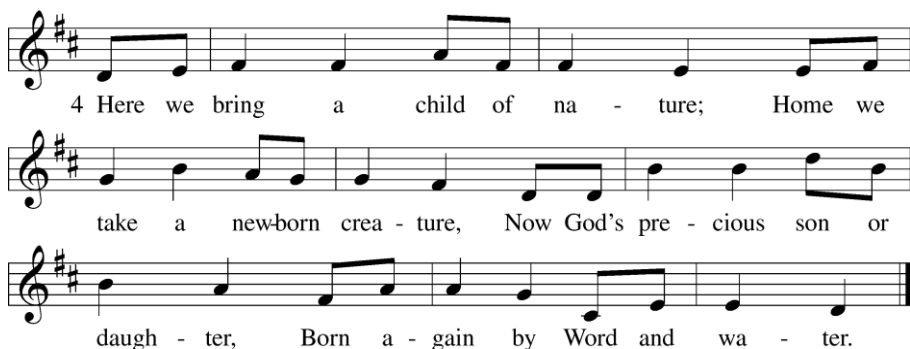
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## BAPTISMAL HYMN

See this Wonder in the Making

LSB 593, v. 4



4 Here we bring a child of na - ture; Home we  
take a new-born crea - ture, Now God's pre - cious son or  
daugh - ter, Born a - gain by Word and wa - ter.

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Psalm 124:8; 130:3-4

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C Who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Together as His people, let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*(Silence for reflection and self-examination)*

P Gracious God,

**C You know my poor soul and my great failings, which I confess and deplore before You with an open heart. Alas, I find that I do not have the kind of will and resolve I certainly ought to have and that I am daily falling as a failing, sinful human being. You know that I desire to have such will and resolve, but my enemy leads me bound and captive. Redeem me, a poor sinner, according to Your divine will, from every evil and temptation. Strengthen and increase in me the true faith in You; grant me grace to love my neighbor with all my heart, honestly and as I do myself, as my brother or sister. Grant me patience in persecution and in every adversity. You have promised to forgive, and You have told us to ask of You with confidence. So I come in reliance on this command and promise of Yours and confess and deplore before You all my sin, for You are the shepherd of my soul. Your will be done and blessed forever. Amen.**

*(from a prayer of Martin Luther)*

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 23*

P The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

C **He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul.**

P He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name sake.

C **Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

P You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

C **You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

P Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C **And I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

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.**

### SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C **Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## FIRST READING

Revelation 14:6-7

<sup>6</sup>Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup>And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

R This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE READING

Romans 3:19-28

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup>It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

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

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:11-15

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

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

<sup>11</sup>I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my

own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

### SECOND ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED & LUTHER'S EXPLANATION

C I believe 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 that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

### SERMON HYMN

*By Grace I'm Saved*

LSB 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! On this I'll rest 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.

## SERMON

Rev. Shawn Deterding

## Rite of Confirmation



LSB p. 272

*(The Confirmands are invited to come and stand at the altar.)*

### ✠ JOSIAH DETERDING

*Ephesians 6:13* ~ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

### ✠ MALACHI DETERDING

*Proverbs 3:5-6* ~ Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

## ✠ **ALANYA GROSS**

*Proverbs 3:5-8* ~ Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.

## ✠ **JEDIDIAH GROSS**

*Ephesians 6:10-20* ~ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

## ✠ **JEREMIAH GROSS**

*Matthew 28:19* ~ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

## ✠ **JORDAN MOSES**

*1 Corinthians 13:13* ~ So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

## ✠ **SARAH MOTE**

*Ezekiel 36:26* ~ And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

## **OFFERING**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**



# Service of the Sacrament



## PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

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

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*2 Tim. 4:22; Col. 3:1; Ps. 136*

Scan the code for  
our understanding  
of the Lord's Supper



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, who for our sake died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, ever-more praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

*LSB 507, v. 4*

4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, for You have had mercy on us and have given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant that all who partake of Christ's holy body and blood this day be sanctified in body and soul and spirit and finally be granted our place in Your eternal kingdom. This we ask through

Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You 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, 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*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C Amen.**

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

## DISTRIBUTION SONG

*A Mighty Fortress*

Praise Team

Our God is a consuming fire,  
A burning holy flame, with glory and freedom.  
Our God is the only righteous judge,  
Ruling over us with kindness and wisdom.  
And we will keep our eyes on You, we will keep our eyes on You.

*Chorus:* A mighty fortress is our God. A sacred refuge is Your name.  
Your Kingdom is unshakable and with You forever we will reign.

Our God is jealous for His own.  
None could comprehend His love and His mercy.  
Our God is exalted on His throne,  
High above the heavens forever He is worthy.  
And we will keep our eyes on You, we will keep our eyes on You. *Chorus*

We will keep our eyes on You, we will keep our eyes on You.  
So, we can set our hearts on You, Lord, we will set our hearts on You.

*Chorus*

## DISTRIBUTION SONG

*How Deep the Father's Love For Us*

Praise Team

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders.  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything: No gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.  
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; 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...

**C Amen.**

# CLOSING HYMN

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

LSB 656



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,  
2 With might of ours can naught be done,  
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,  
4 The Word they still shall let re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;  
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;  
All ea - ger to de - vour us,  
Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need  
But for us fights the val - iant One,  
We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;  
He's by our side up - on the plain



That hath us now o'er - tak - en.  
Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.  
They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.  
With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil foe Now means  
Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus  
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce  
And take they our life, Goods, fame,



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might  
Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,  
as he will, He can harm us none.  
child, and wife, Though these all be gone,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth  
And there's none oth - er God; He holds  
He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -  
Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -



is not his e - qual.  
 the field for - ev - er.  
 tle word can fell him.  
 dom ours re - main - eth.



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