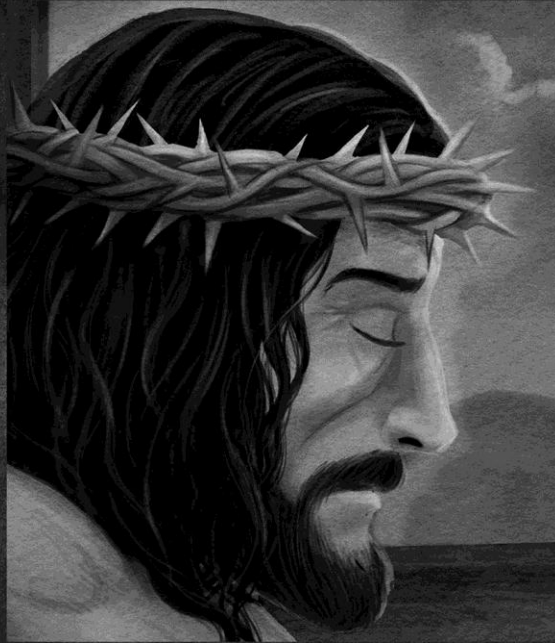


# FOR US



## ***ASH WEDNESDAY***

*March 5, 2025*

### ***Our Mission...***

*To joyfully share the Abundant Life in Jesus' cross with all people today, embracing His hope for tomorrow.*



THE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
MISSOURI SYNOD

# Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!

Jesus gives new life wherever His Gospel is preached! If you are a visitor, we welcome you in Jesus' name. Please come again to join us in worship and become acquainted with our family in Christ.

**Visitors** ~ please sign our Guest Book at the back of the church.

**Sunday school** for three-years-old through High School are held at 8:30 am in the lower level.

**Adult Bible Class** is held in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level at 8:30 am each Sunday.

**Rest rooms (2)** are located on the same floor as the Sanctuary, across from the mailboxes. One is handicapped accessible and has a Baby Changing Station.

**Assistive Hearing Devices** can be found in the back of the Sanctuary. Please ask an Elder or Usher for assistance.

**Hospital visitations** ~ Please let Pastor know if you or a loved one will be in the hospital.



---

## Church Staff

1226 1st Ave. N., Great Falls, MT 59401-3201

(406) 452-2121

[www.trinity-mt.org](http://www.trinity-mt.org)

Reverend Jonathan G. Schultz ~ Pastor

(406) 402-2081

[pastor@trinity-mt.org](mailto:pastor@trinity-mt.org)

Cheryl Bauer ~ Office Secretary

(406) 452-2121

[trinity@trinity-mt.org](mailto:trinity@trinity-mt.org)

Logan Stene ~ Bookkeeper

(406) 781-7605

[treasurer@trinity-mt.org](mailto:treasurer@trinity-mt.org)

Debbie Lee ~ Wee Disciples Director

(406) 799-5881

Amy Schultz ~ Assistant Director

(970) 480-7776

[weedisciples@gmail.com](mailto:weedisciples@gmail.com)

**Acknowledgments** ~ Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book. Unless otherwise indicated, all scripture quotations are from *The Holy Bible, English Standard Version*, copyright © 2001 by Crossway Bibles, a division of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2006 Concordia Publishing House. CCLI license #727519

## ***“O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High”***

This Ash Wednesday, we introduce our Lent sermon series, which is based on the ancient hymn “O Love, How Deep” (LSB 544). This hymn, written in the fifteenth century, contemplates the love of God in becoming man, taking on our life, dying our death, and rising again, all for us. But for us to understand and appreciate this love, we must first examine ourselves and our lives to see how we have failed in thought, word, and deed. While we may try to get credit for our so-called good works, we all still die with nothing to show for them. But God’s love is not like our love. Our love is self-centered and fickle. God’s love is steady, deep, and beyond all understanding (*Ephesians 3:14–19*). This love of God will have no end.

---

*During this penitential season of Lent there will be no preludes or postludes as we contemplate our Lord’s suffering, death and resurrection.*

### **PREPARATION**

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY ADDRESS**

**P** Dear brothers and sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ, on this day the Church begins a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection. Our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ.

From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it life and hope.

Let us pray that our dear Father in heaven, for the sake of His beloved Son and in the power of His Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lententide for us so that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and keep the feast in sincerity and truth.

*Silence for reflection*

#### **LITANY**

**P** O Lord, **C** have mercy.

**P** O Christ, **C** have mercy.

- P** O Lord, **C** have mercy.
- P** O Christ, **C** hear us.
- P** God the Father in heaven, **C** have mercy.
- P** God the Son, Redeemer of the world, **C** have mercy.
- P** God the Holy Spirit, **C** have mercy.
- P** Be gracious to us. **C** Spare us, good Lord.
- P** Be gracious to us. **C** Help us, good Lord.
- P** By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity; by Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and passion; by Your precious death and burial; by Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:
- C** Help us, good Lord.
- P** In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:
- C** Help us, good Lord.
- P** We poor sinners implore You
- C** to hear us, O Lord.
- P** To prosper the preaching of Your Word; to bless our prayer and meditation; to strengthen and preserve us in the true faith; and to give heart to our sorrow and strength to our repentance:
- C** We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- P** To draw all to Yourself; to bless those who are instructed in the faith; to watch over and console the poor, the sick, the distressed, the lonely, the forsaken, the abandoned, and all who stand in need of our prayers; to give abundant blessing to all works of mercy; and to have mercy on us all:

**C** We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

**P** To turn our hearts to You; to turn the hearts of our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers; and graciously to hear our prayers:

**C** We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

**P** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

**C** we implore You to hear us.

**P** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** have mercy.

**P** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** have mercy.

**P** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** grant us Your peace.

**P** O Christ,

**C** hear us.

**P** O Lord,

**C** have mercy.

**P** O Christ,

**C** have mercy.

**P** O Lord,

**C** have mercy. Amen.

**P** O God, You desire not the death of sinners, but rather that they turn from their wickedness and live. We implore You to have compassion on the frailty of our mortal nature, for we acknowledge that we are dust and to dust we shall return. Mercifully pardon our sins that we may obtain the promises You have laid up for those who are repentant; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## IMPOSITION of ASHES

*Each person wanting the imposition of ashes can file up to the altar.*

*After receiving the ashes, each person returns to his place in silence.*

## HYMN of INVOCATION

*Savior, When in Dust to Thee ~ LSB 419*



1 Sav - ior, when in dust to Thee Low we bow the a -  
2 By Thy help - less in - fant years, By Thy life of  
3 By Thine hour of dire de - spair, By Thine ag - o -  
4 By Thy deep ex - pir - ing groan, By the sad se -

dor - ing knee; When, re - pen - tant, to the skies  
want and tears, By Thy days of deep dis - tress  
ny of prayer, By the cross, the nail, the thorn,  
pul - chral stone, By the vault whose dark a - bode

Scarce we lift our weep - ing eyes; O, by all Thy  
In the sav - age wil - der - ness, By the dread, mys -  
Pierc - ing spear, and tor - turing scorn, By the gloom that  
Held in vain the ris - ing God, O, from earth to

pains and woe Suf - fered once for us be - low, Bend - ing  
te - rious hour Of the in - sult - ing tempt - er's pow'r, Turn, O  
veiled the skies O'er the dread - ful sac - ri - fice, Lis - ten  
heav'n re - stored, Might - y, re - as - cend - ed Lord, Bend - ing

from Thy throne on high, Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
turn a fa - v'ring eye; Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
to our hum - ble sigh; Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!  
from Thy throne on high, Hear our pen - i - ten - tial cry!

*Text: Robert Grant, 1779–1838, alt.; Tune: Joseph Parry, 1841–1903; Text and tune: Public domain*

## DIVINE SERVICE ~ Setting I ~ page 151

### CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

page 151

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

**C** Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b; 18-20*

**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 on God's Word and for 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.

*John 20:19-23*

**C** Amen.

### SERVICE of the WORD

#### PSALM

*Psalm 51:1-4, 10-12*

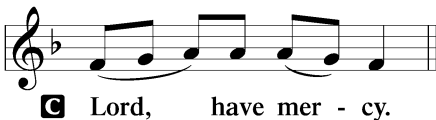
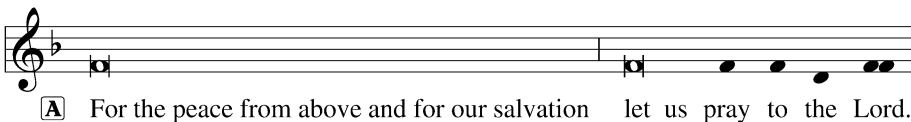
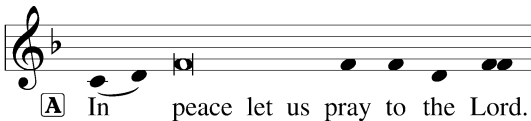
**P** <sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love;

**C** according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

- P** <sup>2</sup>Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin!
- C** <sup>3</sup>**For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.**
- P** <sup>4</sup>Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight,
- C** **so that You may be justified in Your words and blameless in Your judgment.**
- P** <sup>10</sup>Create in me a clean heart, O God,
- C** **and renew a right spirit within me.**
- P** <sup>11</sup>Cast me not away from Your presence,
- C** **and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.**
- P** <sup>12</sup>Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
- C** **and uphold me with a willing spirit.**
- 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** ~ *Lord, Have Mercy*

*page 152*







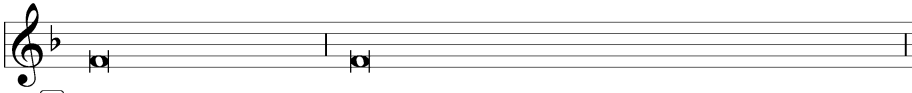
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



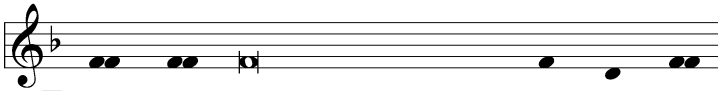
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## GLORIA in EXCELSIS and ALLELUIAS

*During this penitential season of Lent the Gloria in Excelsis and Alleluias are omitted as we contemplate our Lord's suffering, death and resurrection.*

## SALUTATION and COLLECT of the DAY

page 156



**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; 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.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joel 2:12–19

<sup>12</sup>“Yet even now,” declares the Lord, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; <sup>13</sup>and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. <sup>14</sup>Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the Lord your God? <sup>15</sup>Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; <sup>16</sup>gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders; gather the children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber. <sup>17</sup>Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep and say, “Spare your people, O Lord, and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, ‘Where is their God?’”

<sup>18</sup>Then the Lord became jealous for his land and had pity on his people. <sup>19</sup>The Lord answered and said to his people, “Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL**

*Hebrews 12:2*

**[O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,\*  
the founder and perfecter of our faith,  
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,\*  
and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

**EPISTLE READING**

*2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10*

<sup>5:20b</sup> We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

<sup>6:1</sup> Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

“In a favorable time I listened to you,  
and in a day of salvation I have helped you.”

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. <sup>3</sup>We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; <sup>7</sup>by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful,

yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## HOLY GOSPEL READING

*Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus said:] “Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.

<sup>2</sup>“Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>3</sup>But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup>so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>5</sup>“And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup>But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>16</sup>“And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>17</sup>But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup>that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>19</sup>“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup>but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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

## HYMN of the DAY

*O Love, How Deep ~ LSB 544 sts. 1, 5–6*

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
 5 For us, by wick - ed - ness be - trayed,  
 6 For us He rose from death a - gain;

Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,  
 For us, in crown of thorns ar - rayed,  
 For us He went on high to reign;

That God, the Son of God, should take  
 He bore the shame - ful cross and death;  
 For us He sent His Spir - it here

Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!  
 For us - He gave His dy - ing breath.  
 To guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.

*Text: attr. Thomas à Kempis, 1380–1471; tr. Benjamin Webb, 1819–85, alt.*

*Tune: English, 15th cent.; Text: Public domain*

## SERMON

*Reverend Jonathan G. Schultz*

**C** 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.**

**PRAYER of the CHURCH**

*Psalms 51:12, 15*

**P** Let us bring our requests to God, whose love knows no bounds.

For all who do not know our loving Lord, that He would bring the news of Christ to their ears, strengthen them in faith, and urge them to live in love, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise.

**P** For the church, that God would open doors of opportunity for leaders and members to proclaim the Gospel, that schisms within it be mended, that the faithful be protected in body and soul, and that all people of faith find joy in their ministry, let us pray to the Lord.

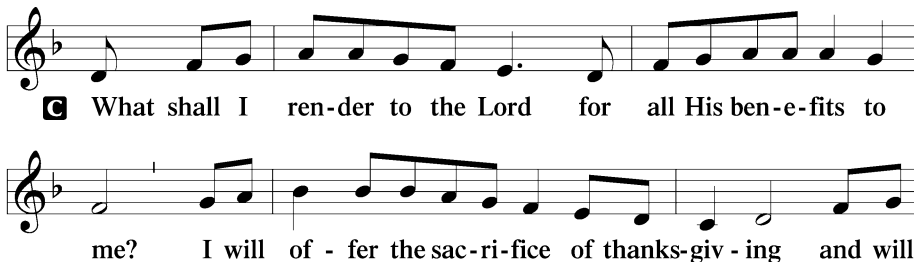
**C** Grant them, O God, to be strengthened with power through Your Spirit.

- P** Where there is conflict and warfare between nations, that God would move leaders and citizens to seek peace with their neighbors and calm within their borders, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Dwell in their hearts, O Christ, through faith.**
- P** Where the old and young are forgotten, the sick and grieving ignored, and the needs of any are not met, that God would prosper the work of farmers and ranchers, relief agencies and civic leaders to provide for their needs, [*and especially . . .*], let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Grant that all caregivers reflect God's love and be gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.**
- P** For each of us, that our service to God, our concern for one another, and the mission He puts before us be joyful endeavors we seek for the growth of the church and glory of God, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Amen.**

**OFFERING** ~ *As the offerings are gathered, worshippers are kindly asked to fill out the red Friendship Folder found along the center aisle and pass it to the others in your pew. Please be sure to list all the members of your family who are present. Thank you.*

## OFFERTORY

*pages 159-160*



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will

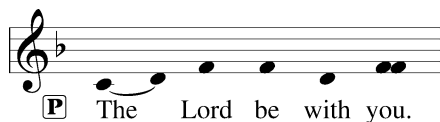


call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## SERVICE of the SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

*page 160*

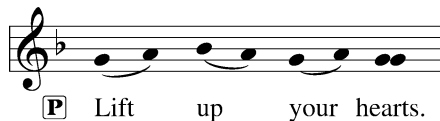


**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*



**C** And al - so with you.



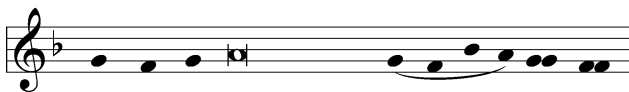
**P** Lift up your hearts.

*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, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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 ~ Holy, Holy, Holy**

*page 161*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

*page 161*

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament.

Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end.

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.

**C** Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*page 162*

**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

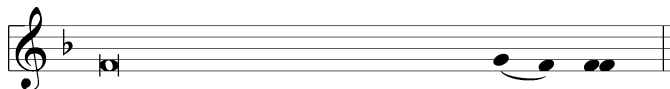
*page 162*

**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.”

## PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

page 163



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



**C** A - men.

## AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God*

page 163



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

# HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*Love in Christ Is Strong and Living ~ LSB 706*



1 Love in Christ is strong and liv - ing, Bind - ing faith - ful  
 2 Love is pa - tient and for - bear - ing, Clothed in Christ's hu -  
 3 Love in Christ a - bides for - ev - er, Faint - ing not when



hearts in one; Love in Christ is true and giv - ing.  
 mil - i - ty, Gen - tle, self - less, kind, and car - ing,  
 ills at - tend; Love, for - giv - ing and for - giv - en,



May His will in us be done.  
 Reach - ing out in char - i - ty.  
 Shall en - dure un - til life's end.

*Text: Dorothy R. Schultz, 1934; Tune: Ralph C. Schultz, 1932–2024*

*Text and tune: © 1979 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003598*

*Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels ~ LSB 695*



1 Not for tongues of heav-en's an - gels, Not for wis - dom to dis -  
 2 Love is hum - ble, love is gen - tle, Love is ten - der, true, and  
 3 Nev - er jeal - ous, nev - er self - ish, Love will not re - joice in  
 4 In the day this world is fad - ing Faith and hope will play their



cern, Not for faith that mas - ters moun - tains, For this  
 kind; Love is gra - cious, ev - er pa - tient, Gen - er -  
 wrong; Nev - er boast - ful nor re - sent - ful, Love be -  
 part; But when Christ is seen in glo - ry Love shall



bet - ter gift we yearn: May love be ours, O Lord.  
 ous of heart and mind: May love be ours, O Lord.  
 lieves and suf - fers long: May love be ours, O Lord.  
 reign in ev - 'ry heart: May love be ours, O Lord.

*Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1926–2024; Tune: Peter W. Cutts, 1937–2024*

*Text: © 1985 Hope Publishing Co. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003598*

*Tune: © 1969 Hope Publishing Co. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003598*

### *As Rebels, Lord, Who Foolishly Have Wandered ~ LSB 612*



1 As reb - els, Lord, who fool - ish - ly have wan - dered  
 2 Still we re - turn, our con - trite words re - hears - ing,  
 3 A feast of love for us You are pre - par - ing;



Far from Your love— un - fed, un - clean, un - clothed—  
 Speech, that with - in Your warm em - brace soon dies;  
 We who were lost, You give an hon - ored place!



Dare we re - call Your wealth so rash - ly squan - dered,  
 All of our guilt, our shame, our pain re - vers - ing  
 "Come, eat; come, drink, and be no more de - spair - ing—



Dare hope to glean that boun - ty which we loathed?  
 As tears of joy and wel - come fill Your eyes.  
 Here taste a - gain the trea - sures of My grace."

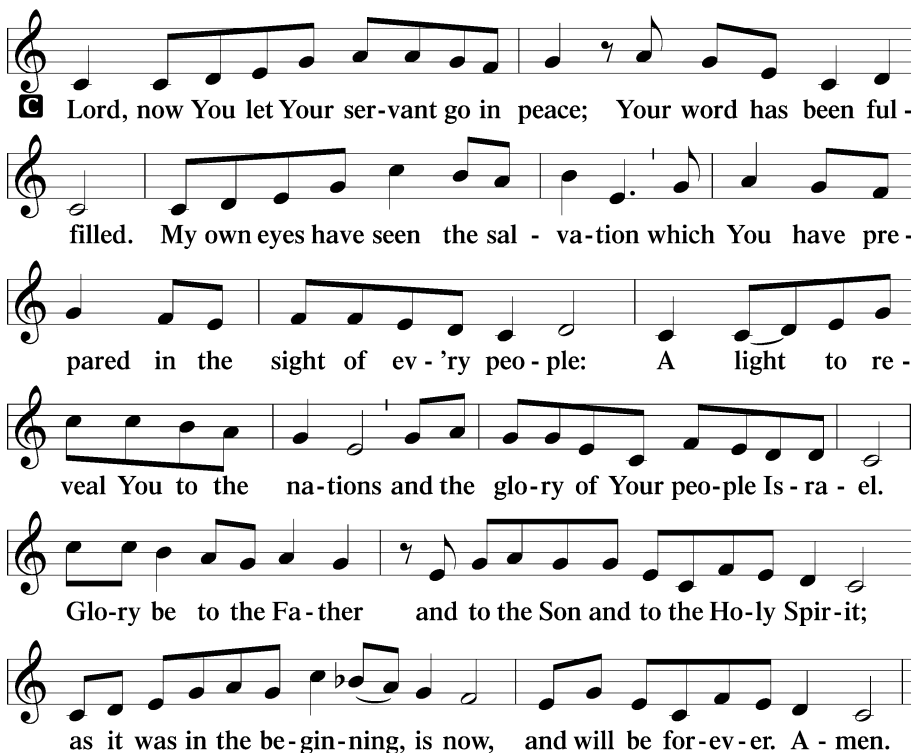
*Text: Stephen P. Starke, 1955; Tune: Jeffrey N. Blersch, 1967*

*Text: © 1992 Stephen P. Starke, admin. Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003598*

*Tune: © 2003 Jeffrey N. Blersch. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003598*

## NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon

page 165



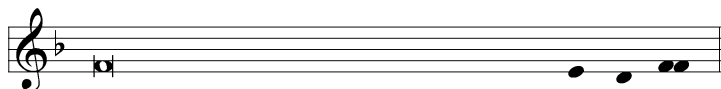
**C** Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to reveal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

page 166

## BENEDICTION

page 166



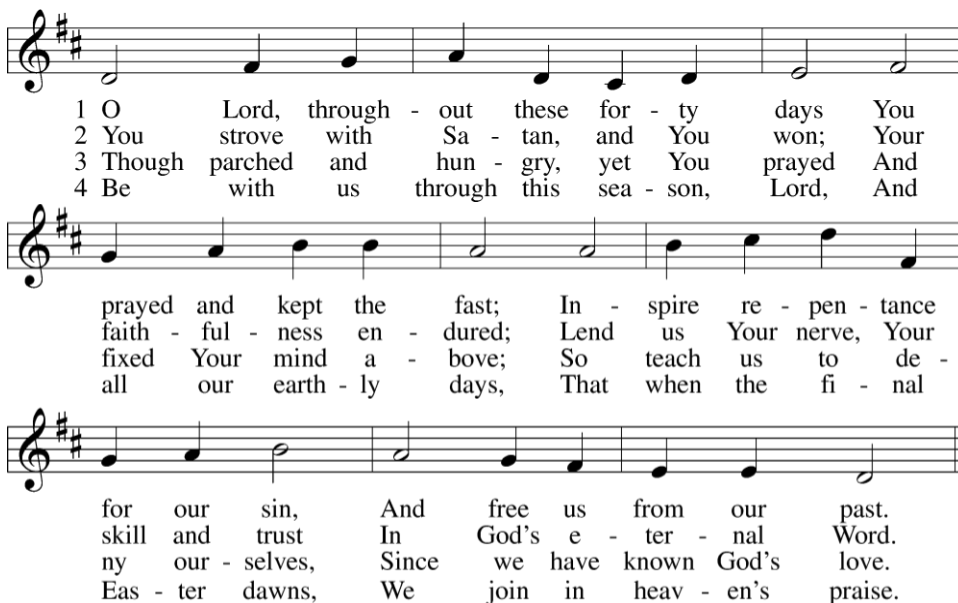
**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A - men.

## HYMN to DEPART

*O Lord, throughout These Forty Days ~ LSB 418*



1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days You  
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and You won; Your  
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet You prayed And  
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, And

prayed and kept the fast; In - spire re - pen - tance  
faith - ful - ness en - dured; Lend us Your nerve, Your  
fixed Your mind a - bove; So teach us to de -  
all our earth - ly days, That when the fi - nal

for our sin, And free us from our past.  
skill and trust In God's e - ter - nal Word.  
ny our - selves, Since we have known God's love.  
Eas - ter dawns, We join in heav - en's praise.

*Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–98; para. Gilbert E. Doan, 1930–2024*

*Tune: The Psalms of David in Prose and Meeter, 1635, Edinburgh*

*Text: © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003598; Tune: Public domain*

---

## CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an usher.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; 1 Corinthians 1:28; 11:17–34.

---