



*Return to your home,  
and declare how much God has done for you*

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## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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### Thoughts as we gather:

*Jesus Brings Release from the Bonds of Sin, Death and the Devil*

The Lord finds those who did not seek Him or ask for Him. He spreads out His hands *“to a rebellious people”* (Is. 65:2) and calls them to be His people and to dwell in peace upon His holy mountain (Is. 65:9). For wherever Jesus Christ enters in, Satan is cast out. Those who were enslaved and driven mad by the assaults and accusations of the devil are set free by the Word of Christ. He drowns and destroys the old Adam in us with the waters of Holy Baptism and thereby brings us out of death into life. No longer naked in our shame, living *“among the tombs”* (Luke 8:27), we are brought into the Lord’s house, fully clothed by Christ; He has come in *“the fullness of time”* (Gal. 4:4) to fulfill the Law on our behalf and to redeem us from its every accusation. Therefore, having been justified by His grace through faith in His Gospel, *“you are no longer a slave, but a son”* (Gal. 4:7).

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

### 549 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name



1 All hail the pow’r of Je - sus’ name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;  
2 Crown Him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;  
3 Ye seed of Is - rael’s cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,  
4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da - vid’s line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.  
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se’s rod And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.  
The God in - car - nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.



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The God in - car - nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.

5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
The wormwood and the gall,  
Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
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And crown Him Lord of all.

6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,  
On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
We at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.

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*Stand*

*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.

**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.**

*Kneel/Stand*

*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  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

*Stand*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

*Psalm 71:20–24; antiphon: v. 3*

Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come;

You have given the command to save me, for You are my rock and my fortress.

**You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will receive me again;**

**from the depths of the earth You will bring me up again.**

You will increase my greatness

and comfort me again.

**I will also praise You with the harp for Your faithfulness, O my God;**

**I will sing praises to You with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.**

My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to You;

my soul also, which You have redeemed.

**And my tongue will talk of Your righteous help all the day long, for they have been put to shame and disappointed who sought to do me hurt.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

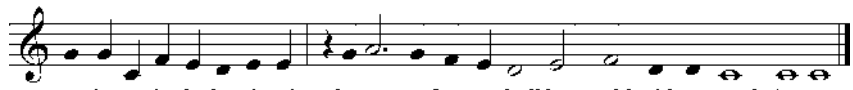
**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come;

You have given the command to save me, for You are my rock and my fortress.



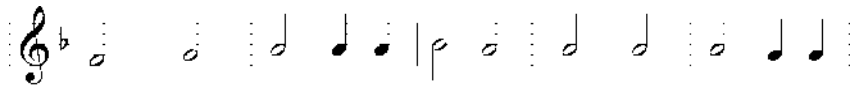
**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



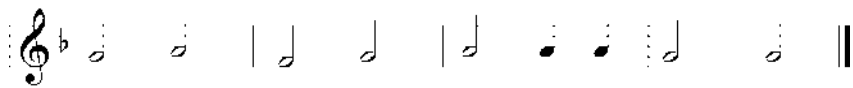
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## KYRIE

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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.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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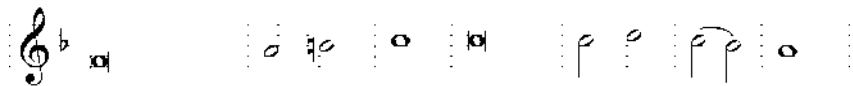
**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



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



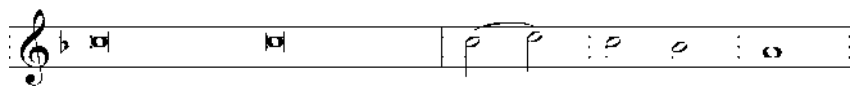
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



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.

**P** O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 65:1-9*

<sup>1</sup>I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for Me;  
I was ready to be found by those who did not seek Me.  
I said, “Here am I, here am I,”  
to a nation that was not called by My name.

<sup>2</sup>I spread out My hands all the day  
to a rebellious people,  
who walk in a way that is not good,  
following their own devices;

<sup>3</sup>a people who provoke Me  
to My face continually,  
sacrificing in gardens  
and making offerings on bricks;

<sup>4</sup>who sit in tombs,  
and spend the night in secret places;  
who eat pig’s flesh,  
and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels;

<sup>5</sup>who say, “Keep to Yourself,  
do not come near me, for I am too holy for You.”  
These are a smoke in My nostrils,  
a fire that burns all the day.

<sup>6</sup>Behold, it is written before Me:  
“I will not keep silent, but I will repay;  
I will indeed repay into their bosom

<sup>7</sup>both your iniquities and your fathers’ iniquities together,  
says the LORD;  
because they made offerings on the mountains  
and insulted Me on the hills,  
I will measure into their bosom  
payment for their former deeds.”

<sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD:  
“As the new wine is found in the cluster,

and they say, ‘Do not destroy it,  
for there is a blessing in it,’  
so I will do for My servants’ sake,  
and not destroy them all.  
<sup>9</sup>I will bring forth offspring from Jacob,  
and from Judah possessors of My mountains;  
My chosen shall possess it,  
and My servants shall dwell there.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

*Psalm 3; antiphon: v. 8*

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, how many are my foes!  
Many are rising against me;  
<sup>2</sup>**many are saying of my soul,  
there is no salvation for him in God.**

<sup>3</sup>But You, O LORD, are a shield about me,  
my glory, and the lifter of my head.  
<sup>4</sup>**I cried aloud to the LORD,  
and He answered me from His holy hill.**

<sup>5</sup>I lay down and slept;  
I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.  
<sup>6</sup>**I will not be afraid of many thousands of people  
who have set themselves against me all around.**

<sup>7</sup>Arise, O LORD!  
Save me, O my God!  
**For You strike all my enemies on the cheek;  
You break the teeth of the wicked.**

<sup>8</sup>Salvation belongs to the LORD;  
Your blessing be on Your people!

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE

*Galatians 3:23—4:7*

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. <sup>27</sup>For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is



neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

<sup>1</sup>I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, <sup>2</sup>but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. <sup>3</sup>In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. <sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.


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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**ALLELUIA**

*LSB 190*




**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 8:26-39*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

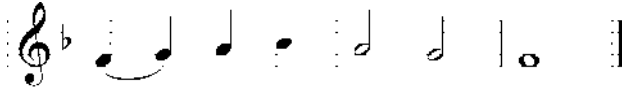


**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>26</sup>Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met Him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before Him and said with a loud voice, "What have You to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me." <sup>29</sup>For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. <sup>32</sup>Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged Him to let them enter these. So He gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. <sup>34</sup>When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people went out to see what had happened, and they

came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So He got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with Him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

**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.

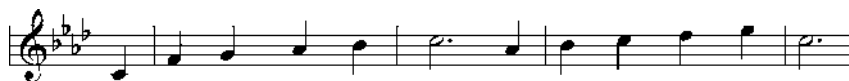
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

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 ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

798 The God of Abraham Praise

sts. 1, 3, 5, 7, 9



1 The God of A-br'ham praise, Who reigns en-throned a - bove;  
 3 The God of A-br'ham praise, Whose all - suf - fi - cient grace  
 5 Though na - ture's strength de - cay, And earth and hell with-stand,  
 7 There dwells the Lord our king, The Lord our righ - teous-ness,  
 △ 9 The whole tri - um - phant host Give thanks to God on high.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.  
 Shall guide me all my pil - grim days In all my ways.  
 To Ca - naan's bounds I urge my way At His com - mand.  
 Tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, The Prince of Peace.  
 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" They ev - er cry.



Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;  
 He deigns to call me friend; He calls Him - self my God.  
 The wa - t'ry deep I pass, With Je - sus in my view,  
 On Zi - on's sa - cred height His king - dom He main - tains  
 Hail, A-br'ham's God and mine! I join the heav'n - ly lays:



I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.  
 And He shall save me to the end Through Je - sus' blood.  
 And through the howl - ing wil - der - ness My way pur - sue.  
 And glo - rious with His saints in light For - ev - er reigns.  
 All might and maj - es - ty are Thine And end - less praise!

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Sit

SERMON TEXT: Luke 8:26-39

SERMON THEME: The Destroyer

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**C** Amen.

## OFFERTORY

LSB 192



**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.

*Sit*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O King of kings and Lord of lords, You call out to every nation of the earth seeking repentance and justice, even as they rebel against Your will. Work repentance in all civil leaders. Use them to defend the weak and to punish the guilty, that the Church may have free course to preach the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Gracious God, Your Son sent the man formerly possessed by demons to declare how much God had done for him. May Your Church also, rescued from the snares of the devil, proclaim how much Jesus has done for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

- P** Compassionate Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty God, You have established governments and institutions for good order and our well-being. Guide and grant wisdom to leaders and citizens. Give peace, security and good laws to our own country, our cities and our communities. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O Lord, Your Son, Jesus, had pity on the man afflicted with an abundance of demons. Have mercy now on the afflictions that beset [                     *and*] all for whom we pray. Give them healing, strength and an increase of faith. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Merciful God, Isaiah spoke of the new wine, full of blessing, that will not be destroyed. Grant us faithfully to eat and drink our Lord's own body and blood given in the fellowship of this altar. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Dear Father, You know the condition of our souls, that we frequently wander into sins, vice and danger. Hear our prayers for the sake of Christ, who defeated legions of demons so that we might receive adoption as sons; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## Communion Statement

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 Elder.

## PREFACE

LSB 194



**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 meet, 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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting 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:

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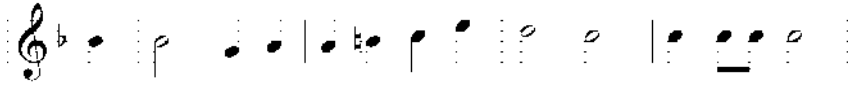
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**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



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.

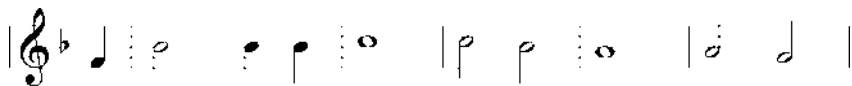


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## LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 196

**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.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 197

**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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  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

LSB 197



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



**C** A - men.





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.

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# 611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His  
 2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the  
 3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the  
 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in  
 5 O my Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,  
 heav'ns a - bove. Deep - er than the depths of sea,  
 wound - ed heart. Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,  
 all to me; All my wants to Him are known,  
 and Your Word! When my way - ward heart would stray,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is  
 Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—  
 Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to  
 All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the  
 Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of



to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.  
 won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.  
 walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.  
 hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.  
 need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

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## 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,  
 2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,  
 3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor



In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy  
 Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er  
 That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -



bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that  
 love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -  
 geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this



they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!



May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our  
 Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy  
 Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that



sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead  
 blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;  
 heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see



In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

Text: tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; (st. 1): German, 14th cent.; (sts. 2-3): Martin Luther, 1483-1546  
 Tune: Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, 1524, Wittenberg, ed. Johann Walter  
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*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

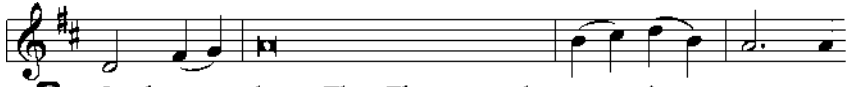
Stand

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\text{✠}$  in peace.

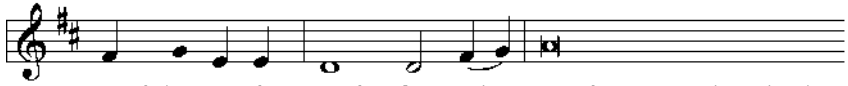
**C** Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 199



**C** 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,



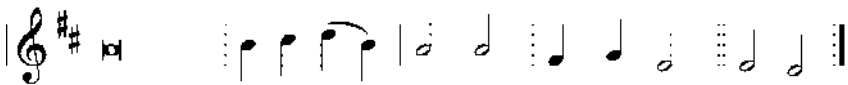
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



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 with - out end. A - men.



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



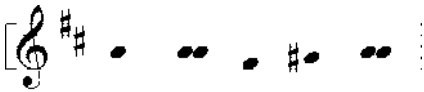
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**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.



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**BENEDICAMUS***LSB 202*

**A** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**BENEDICTION***LSB 202*

**P.** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make

His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

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

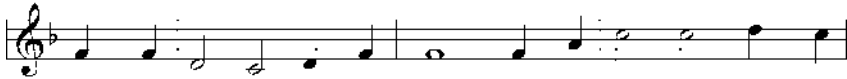
## 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



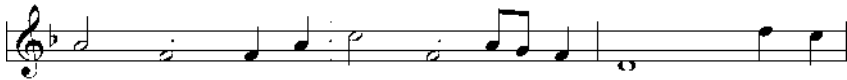
1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -  
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet  
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,  
gen - tle, word: Praise the One who drove out de - mons  
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the  
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool  
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing  
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this  
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.  
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter. Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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**SERVING SERVICE TODAY:**

**ELDER**

Rick Ferrell

**HEAD USHER**

Bruce Benson

**SUNDAY READINGS**

The readings for Sunday, June 26, 2022 are:

1 Kings 19:9b-21

Psalm 16 (antiphon: v. 11)

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Luke 9:51-62



**June 19 – Proper 7**

**Luke 8:37 – “Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So He got into the boat and returned.”** The Gerasenes are upset with Jesus because His ministry led to the loss of their pig herd – their wealth. They want Jesus to go away before He does any more damage to their bottom line. Their priorities are clear. What about our priorities? Is the work and ministry of Jesus worthy of our support and the sacrifice of some of our wealth?

## THIS WEEK AT ASCENSION

<b>Sun. (06/19)</b> <i>Father's Day</i>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Drive-In & Inside Worship Bible Study
<b>Mon. (06/20)</b>	6:00 p.m.	Adult Confirmation Class
<b>Tues. (06/21)</b>	9:00 a.m.	Comfort Quilters
<b>Wed. (06/22)</b>	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
<b>Thurs. (06/23)</b>	6:00 p.m.	NAMI Family to Family & Peer Connections
<b>Sun. (06/26)</b>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Drive-In & Inside Worship Bible Study

### **ATTENDANCE:**

06/05/2022	9:00 a.m.	73
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### **OFFERING:**

Needed weekly:	\$ 3,737.00
Received 06/12/22	\$ <u>5,188.00</u>
Over	\$ 1,451.00

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*We welcome you and invite you to join us for coffee in the Fellowship Hall after service. Be sure to check in with Debbie in the Narthex before service. Visitors are asked to sign the guest book in the Narthex, please include your address and home church. If this is your first time attending Holy Communion at Ascension, please speak with the Pastor or an Elder prior to the service.*

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Flowers on the altar today are for the Glory of God by Nancy Blake in thanksgiving for all the Lord has given her.

### **CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

The Adult Member Class will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 20, 2022.

### **COMFORT QUILTERS**

Ascension Lutheran's Comfort Quilters will be meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the Counting Room.

### **LOOKING FOR ROOMS TO RENT IN THE HIGH DESERT**

We have two members who are currently looking for a room to rent—Nancy Davison, and Craig Joyce. If you or someone you know has a room for rent please contact the office and we will forward that information to Nancy and Craig.

### **INDIVIDUAL FOOD BAGS FOR THE HOMELESS**

Next Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> all the supplies will be ready to make the food bags. Please come over to the office building right after church (10:15) or right after Bible study (11:30) to make yours.

### **NAME BADGES**

If you do not have a name badge, please let either Kathy Benzow or Debbie Stowe know as we are planning to put in an order for them.

### **MEMBER PICTURE DIRECTORY**

We need your help in completing a picture directory. We are looking for someone that would be willing/able to take pictures in August. Our plan is to take the pictures following the service each Sunday in August. More info will be coming in July.

Prayer and Praises” is your personal invitation to join with the Prayer Ministry of our church in daily prayer. If you would like someone to stay on the prayer list, please call the church office at 760-247-7392, put your request on the prayer cards in the church, or go on-line at [www.ascensionav.org](http://www.ascensionav.org). Otherwise, names will be removed after two months.

### ACCORDING TO THEIR NEED:

Gaylon Pastella	Kevin Smith	Gwen Strasburg
Angela Alder	Charles Blake	Devin Coole
Detwiler Family	Gamas Family	Roger Hall
Charlene Krentz	Jennifer Millgate	Beverly Moglich
Renee Moore	Mildred Sears	Barbara Stumbaugh
Lonny Stumbaugh	Nikki Stumbaugh	Rory Tighe
Melinda Alcantar	Brendan Anderson	Serena Anderson
Nikki Baleew	Glen Beaty	Isabel Benavides
Sue Boers	Jennifer Brecht	Brian & Crystal
Barbara Brown	Steve & Peggy Brunette	Linda Burnham
Steve Caffey	Ginny Callan	Cletus Caroland
Cindy Celaya	Tracy Cole	Emily Collins
Congregation	Richard Connors	Phil Cordova
Adam Dalton	Hilda Dean	Rusty DeWitt
Pat Dobyns	Gene Dooner	Francis Durfee & Family
Lynn Fairgrief	Riley Faith	Faith Lutheran Church
Keith Fisk	Rick Fleming	Arturo Franco
Beverly Fuhrman	Garcia Family	Mike Garcia
Chrissie Gates	Grace Glass	Government
Jay and Becky Graham	Rebecca Guerra	Bob Guyer
Isaiah Guzman	Marty Hall	Jerry Harding
Bud Harke	Pastor Harris	Tim Harris
John Haston	Jeanne Hecksel	Justin & Trisha Hedden
Sherry Hedden	Less Hircane	Jannah Holling
Dan Hook	Bill Huff	Howard Hunt
Rob Jackson	Violet Johnson	Kays Family
Chris Kelly	Linda Kienle	Emma Kraus
Anthony Kwesie	Jennifer LaRue	Stephen Latham
Shaelyne Leamon	John Lewis	Jamar Liddele
Jeff Maynard	David McDonald	Dave Meyer
Military	David Miller	Chuckie Morales
Janet Mowery	Al & Beth Myers	Cindy Nielsen
Sally O’Neil	Ron Orr	Kayla Overmyer
Palmer Family	Don Pastella	Tim & Marguerite Pastella
Zoe Peacock	Gail Peterson	Lynda Porter
Nevin Purbaugh	Paul & Michele Rawlins	Dave Riffel
Sarah Rosen	Nicole Scarpelli & Family	Carol Schmidt
Drew Schmidt	Marge Segnari	Ray Shaffer
Bea Shelby	Trudy Shoemaker	Short Family
Nancy Short	Daniel Singleton	Helen Spencer
June Spradlin	Susie Springer	Carrie & Braden Stedje
Danny Stumbaugh	Randy Thomas	Curtis Todd
Joshua Todd	Delvin Tumbling	Ukrainian People
Stan Vacek	Ginger Vick	Heidi Wade
Chuck & Donna Wagers	Robert Wagers	Tammy Wall
Nancy Williams	Steve & Wilma Wilson	Wrightwood Residents

### GRIEF & STRENGTH:

Family of Norma Goddard  
Family of Beth Marie Sanders



**About the Cover:** To the man in today’s Gospel, there was more than enough reason to tell everyone how much the Lord had done for him. Jesus cast out a legion of demons. No one else could do that. Oh, what good news of joy we bear that we have received through the preaching of the Word and the Sacraments! Jesus forgives our sins. No one else could do that. We cannot help but tell everyone about the free and saving work of Jesus!