



*For Us  
and With Us*  
Romans 8:31-39

**2022 LWML SUNDAY  
Worship Service**

# DIVINE SERVICE

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## AS WE GATHER

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has affirmed each woman's identity as a child of God and her relationship with Jesus Christ. As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

## For Us and With Us

PRELUDE *"Lord of All Hopefulness"*

arr. Lani Smith

OPENING HYMN *"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"*

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## INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen. *Matthew 28:19b; (18-20)*

## CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

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### EXHORTATION

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** Who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:8*

**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. *Psalm 130:3-4*

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. 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. *(Luke 18:13)*

### CONFESSION OF SINS

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

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

**C** Amen.

*[John 20:19-23]*

$\text{✠}$  SERVICE OF THE WORD  $\text{✠}$

ENTRANCE PSALM

Psalm 100

<sup>1</sup>Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

<sup>2</sup>**Serve the LORD with gladness!  
Come into His presence with singing!**

<sup>3</sup>Know that the LORD, He is God!  
It is He who made us, and we are His;  
we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

<sup>4</sup>**Enter His gates with thanksgiving,  
and His courts with praise!  
Give thanks to Him; bless His name!**

<sup>5</sup>For the LORD is good;  
His steadfast love endures forever,  
and His faithfulness to all generations.

**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

*Mark 10:47; pg. 204*

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

**P** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

- P** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For those who labor, those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE** *“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”*

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**SALUTATION and COLLECT of the DAY**

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- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.** *2 Timothy 4:22;*
- P** We pray...O God, You did not spare Your own Son but gave Him up for us all. Grant that by faith we may trust in Your promises and live according to Your will; 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 6:1-8

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of His robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Above Him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

<sup>4</sup>And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of Him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup>And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

<sup>8</sup>And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.”

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

Psalm 90:1-4, 10-12

<sup>1</sup>Lord, You have been our dwelling place  
in all generations.

<sup>2</sup>**Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or ever You had formed the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting You are God.**

<sup>3</sup>You return man to dust  
and say, “Return, O children of man!”

<sup>4</sup>**For a thousand years in Your sight  
are but as yesterday when it is past,  
or as a watch in the night.**

<sup>10</sup>The years of our life are seventy,  
or even by reason of strength eighty;  
yet their span is but toil and trouble;  
they are soon gone, and we fly away.

<sup>11</sup>**Who considers the power of Your anger,  
and Your wrath according to the fear of You?**

<sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days  
that we may get a heart of wisdom.

**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.**

**EPISTLE**

Romans 8:31-39

<sup>31</sup>What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the One who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

**ALLELUIA and VERSE**

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

**C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

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

**HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 12:35-40

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.
- C** *(Spoken)* **Glory to You, O Lord**

<sup>35</sup>[Jesus said:] “Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, <sup>36</sup>and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup>If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! <sup>39</sup>But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** *(Spoken)* **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON

LWML PLEDGE

- C** In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

PRAYER of the CHURCH

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
  
- P** Let us pray. Almighty God, we give you thanks for your goodness and love in Christ that sustains us each day. We praise you for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is for us and with us in all things. We thank you for the Holy Spirit, our Comforter and sustainer of faith. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** Hear our prayer.
  
- P** Guide, we pray, our congregation in our life together and witness in the world. Grant us your grace and strengthen your people through the Word and Sacraments. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** Hear our prayer.
  
- P** For the mission of the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League in this congregation and throughout the world, that each person involved would see opportunities to be salt and light to their neighbors and through various opportunities for mission. Through the faithful gathering of mites, may Lutheran Women in Mission continue to encourage us to put all You have given us into the mission of reaching the lost. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** Hear our prayer.
  
- P** Sanctify our homes with Your presence, reminding us that nothing can separate us from Your love. Unite the members of all families in love toward you and each other. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** Hear our prayer.

**P** For ... (additional intercessions of the congregation). Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** Hear our prayer.

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in  
Your mercy for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**C** Amen.

## OFFERING

# ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

## PREFACE

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**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you. *[2 Timothy 4:2]*

**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them to the Lord. *[Colossians 3:1]*

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise. *[Psalm 136]*

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

## SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; pg. 208*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him

We give you thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Her us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**LORD’S PRAYER**

*Matthew 6:9-13; pg. 209*

**The WORDS of OUR LORD**

**PAX DOMINI—** *The Peace of the Lord*

*John 20:19; pg. 209*

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

**AGNUS DEI ~ Lamb of God**

*John 1:29; pg. 210*

**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

**DISTRIBUTION**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

“Jesus, Priceless Treasure” # 743

“Children of the Heavenly Father” # 725

“How Firm a Foundation” # 728

**NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon**

Luke 2:29-32; pg. 211

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

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**BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION**

[Psalm 103:1]; pg. 212

**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** *“Serve the Lord with Gladness”*

Tune: *LSB 662*

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”  
It is He alone  
Who redeemed us sinners,  
Guides us as His own  
To enjoy the blessings  
Of His love and grace,  
Will at last in glory  
Meet us face to face.  
Onward, then, for Jesus!  
Let this be our aim:  
“Serve the Lord with gladness!”  
Glorify His name.

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”  
He gave us command  
To proclaim His Gospel  
Now in every land  
So that fellow sinners  
May, like us, be blest.  
Leading them to Jesus,  
We can serve Him best.  
Onward, then, for Jesus!  
Let this be our aim:  
“Serve the Lord with gladness!”  
Glorify His name!

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”  
There’s no greater joy  
Than to serve the Master,  
Work in His employ.  
As we build His kingdom  
Angels, too, rejoice  
Over every sinner  
Brought to hear His voice.  
Onward, then, for Jesus!  
Let this be our aim:  
“Serve the Lord with gladness!”  
Glorify His name!

**POSTLUDE** *“Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing”*

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