



8:00AM DIVINE SERVICE

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AS WE GATHER

Imagine someone offering you a gift—a gift that you cannot get on your own. How do you think the giver of that gift would react if you rejected it? That is what today's Readings are about. The children of Israel refused to go into the Promised Land. God's response was, "They shall not enter My rest." They had been slaves and gotten a good taste of the harshness of the wilderness. Yet they refused to go into a land where they would have rest. Today, God offers you rest through the gift of the forgiveness of sins. Do not miss out on the rest God offers you right now through Jesus.

PRELUDE — *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

arr. Donald Lee Moore

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION ✠

HYMN OF INVOCATION — *O Day of Rest and Gladness*

sts. 1-3; # 906

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 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 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.

- C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

INTROIT

Psalm 34:1-4, 17; antiphon: v. 18

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
and saves the crushed in spirit.

I will bless the LORD at all times;
His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt His name together!
I sought the LORD,
and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears
and delivers them out of all their troubles.

**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.**

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
and saves the crushed in spirit.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;

We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,

Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION and COLLECT of the DAY

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

- P** Almighty God, O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.** *(Sit)*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

(Solomon recognized that work without rest was useless and caused harm.)

¹⁰He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹²Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

¹³There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. ¹⁶This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

¹⁸Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. ¹⁹Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. ²⁰For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

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

C *(Spoken)* **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

Psalm 91:11; 103:1

L He will command His angels concerning you

C **to guard you in all your ways.**

L Bless the LORD, O my soul,

C **and all that is within me, bless His holy name!**

EPISTLE

Hebrews 4:1-16

(Strive by faith to enter God's rest and do not become disobedient.)

¹Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³For we who have believed enter that rest, as He has said,

“As I swore in My wrath,
‘They shall not enter My rest,’”

although His works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴For He has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all His works.” ⁵And again in this passage He said,

“They shall not enter My rest.”

⁶Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again He appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear His voice,
do not harden your hearts.”

⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. ⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

¹¹Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. ¹²For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

¹⁴Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

ALLELUIA and VERSE *(Stand)*

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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

Mark 10:23-31

(Jesus warns about wealth and the difficulty a wealthy person has entering the kingdom of God.)

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.
- C** *(Spoken)* **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²³Jesus looked around and said to His disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were amazed at His words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to Him, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” ²⁸Peter began to say to Him, “See, we have left everything and followed You.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for My sake and for the gospel, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

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

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SERMON

OFFERING — *Andantino Religioso*

Felix Mendelssohn

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

The forgiveness of sins in the **Lord's Supper** is a forgiveness which says, "Go and sin no more", not, "Go and live as you please". God's forgiveness in Christ is always the complete remission of every sin, but never the permission to continue on unrepentant in any sin. With deep thanksgiving for the gift of forgiveness received in this sacrament, we also express our deep desire to celebrate it according to God's Will. To commune at our altar is to confess the Faith of this congregation and The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Therefore, the pastor offers regular instruction in the Christian Faith.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; pg. 208

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.

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



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored; ^{ur}



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.

SANCTUS)8

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

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. Hear 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

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20;

PAX :23-25

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

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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.

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
DIST part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the 627
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the 28
NUN glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace: 11
 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

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 Amen.

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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 — *On What Has Now Been Sown*

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to serve the Lord and one another,
so the world might believe.

C Thank You Lord, for Your forgiveness and peace!

POSTLUDE — *What is the World to Me*

Georg Pfefferkorn

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