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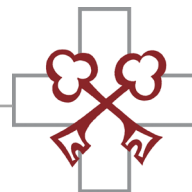
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DIVINE SERVICE *Setting Three*

September 13, 2026 – 10:00 am / September 16, 2026 – 7:00 pm

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION



HYMN OF INVOCATION

685 Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus

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.**

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 ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

SERVICE OF THE WORD



INTROIT

Psalm 86:4, 6, 15a, 16; antiphon: vv. 1a, 2b, 3



Incline your ear, O LORD, and | answer me,*
save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.

**Be gracious to me, | O Lord,*
for to you do I cry | all the day.**

Gladden the soul of your | servant,*
for to you, O Lord, do I lift | up my soul.

**Give ear, O LORD, | to my prayer;*
listen to my | plea for grace.**

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and | gracious;*
turn to me and be gra- | cious to me;

**give your strength to your | servant,*
and save the son of your maid- | servant.**

Incline your ear, O LORD, and | answer me,*
save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.

**Be gracious to me, | O Lord,*
for to you do I cry | all the day.**



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



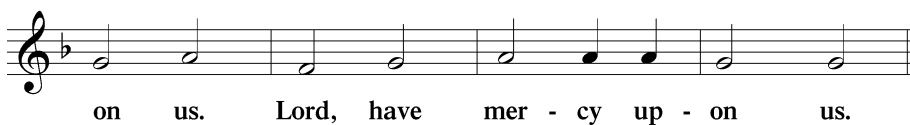
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

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☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

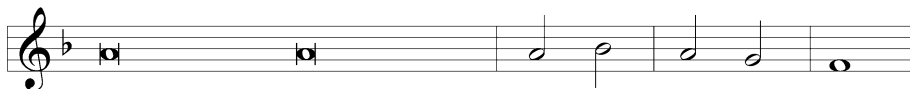
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P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



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;



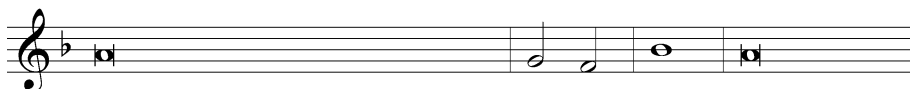
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



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.

O Lord, we implore You, let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your Church; and because she cannot continue in safety without Your aid, preserve her evermore by Your help and goodness; 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.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 17:8–16

Then the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." And as she was going

he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

ALLELUIA

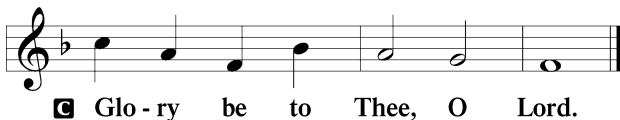
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HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 6:24–34

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



[Jesus said:] “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

"Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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

HYMN OF THE DAY

760 What God Ordains Is Always Good

SERMON

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

C Amen.

Stand

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 -



Sit

OFFERING

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

A Let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



Our Communion Practice

At this altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. In this Sacrament, He also gathers His people together in one confession of faith.

Because Holy Communion is both a gift and a public confession of unity, we invite members of this congregation and of other LCMS congregations (or those in fellowship with us) to receive the Sacrament.

If you are visiting and not part of this fellowship, we warmly welcome you to the service. Out of pastoral care and love—for you and for our congregation—we ask that you refrain from communing today. This is not a judgment on your faith in Christ, but a way of honoring the Lord's Supper as He intends it. We invite you to speak with the pastor after the service, who would be glad to explain further and walk with you toward full communion fellowship.

PREFACE

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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 unto the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 195



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,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 196



P Our Father who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,



Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it



is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly bread;



and forgive us our tres - pass - es as we forgive those who



tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to



temp - ta - tion, but deliver us from e - vil.



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

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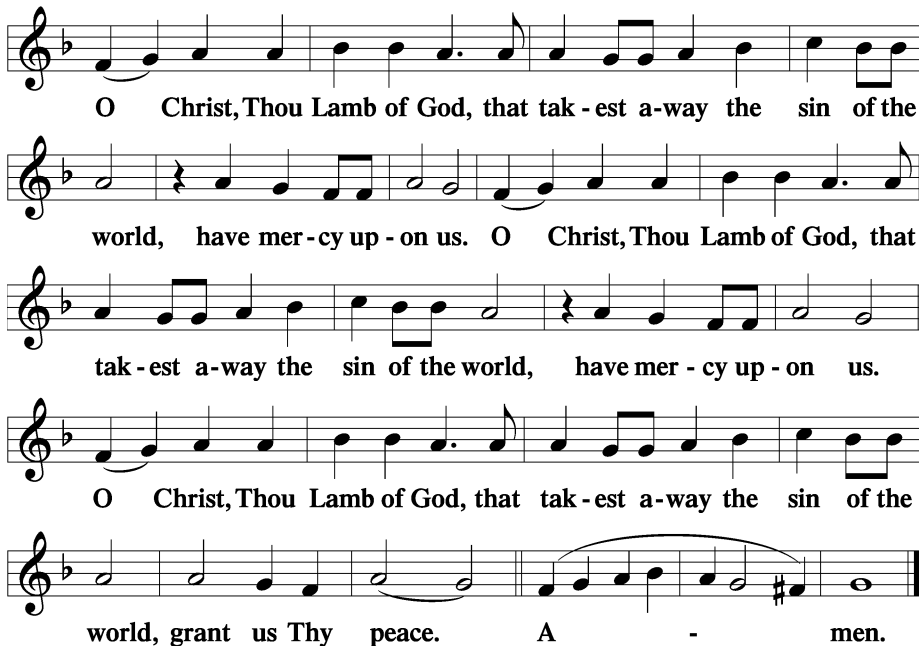
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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



AGNUS DEI

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DISTRIBUTION

Prayer of Preparation for Communion (prayed silently)

Remember, good Lord, Your servant, whom You have redeemed with Your precious Blood. I repent of my sins , and long to put right what I have done wrong. Yet, while I have no power to do these things of my own accord, You have all authority in

heaven and Earth to remit my faults and to supply strength to walk in paths of righteousness. Therefore, O Christ, take away my offences and sins; purify me in body and soul, and make me worthy to taste the Paschal Lamb. May Your Body and Blood, which I intend to receive in confession of this holy faith be for the remission of my sins, the washing away of my guilt, the end of my evil thoughts, and the rekindling of the fruit of the Holy Spirit. May the Eucharist incite me to do works befitting of the name Christian and union with You serve as a defense of body and soul against all enemies. Amen.

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712 Seek Ye First
735 Have No Fear, Little Flock
725 Children Of The Heavenly Father

Thanksgiving after Communion (prayed silently)

Having inclined Your ear to this, Your servant, and having granted me a place at Your most holy Supper, I thank You, O Lord Jesus Christ, for You have met my plea with the grace of Your restorative self-donation. Satisfied by the Paschal Feast, I worship and adore You, Paschal Lamb. You are my portion and heritage. May this gladness of heart follow into my home, my work and my leisure until I return here, to the sanctuary of the Lord, for further refreshment and to worship You, O Christ; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God. Amen.

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

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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.

THANKSGIVING

LSB 200

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

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



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

HYMN OF DEPARTURE

782 Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings



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