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 - congregation stands.  - congregation sits.  - congregation kneel or sit as you are able.  
 - congregation sings. Congregation responds in **bold print**.

*Children are encouraged to stand, sit, and kneel with the congregation.  
If you are uncomfortable standing or kneeling, you may choose to sit.*

*Welcome visitors and guests. We are glad to have you worshiping with us today and would be happy to answer any questions you may have about our congregation. Please feel free to speak with one of the pastors or call the church during the week.*

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*As we gather, please note that some people prefer to reconnect with their church family and friends in the narthex (lobby area) prior to the service, while others prefer to meditate and pray in the sanctuary in preparation for worship. The ushers will try to keep the glass doors closed so that the joyful noise of church-family conversation in the narthex and the holy silence of preparation for worship in the sanctuary can co-exist before the service begins. Suggested prayers to help you prepare for worship can be found on the inside front cover of the hymnal in the pews.*

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*Our services generally come out of the various settings in the Lutheran Service Book (the hymnal in the pews). Note that the liturgy setting, Scripture readings, and some of the hymns for next week are listed in the “green sheet” (announcements). We encourage people to have a hymnal for in-home use as well. Contact the office if you would like to order one.*

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*Most of our services include a corporate confession of sins and absolution (forgiveness) from God through the pastor. Occasionally we have Matins or other services which do not include this brief rite. We always offer individual confession and absolution by appointment and encourage our members to make use of this great gift of God.*

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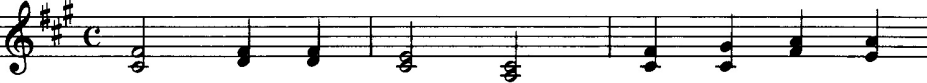
*Holy Communion is celebrated at every one of our weekend services and on other special occasions. In accordance with the historic practice of the Christian Church, our congregation practices close communion, meaning that normally our members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations commune here. Please speak to one of the pastors about exceptions to this general practice. Please also note that this practice in no way intends to comment on the state of anyone else’s faith; we simply understand our communing together as also a public profession of unity in doctrine, which not everyone shares. Those who do not commune here may come forward for a blessing (simply fold your arms over your heart to indicate that you are not communing) or remain in the pew during communion and pray, particularly for visible unity in the Christian Church.*

*Out of respect for God’s House and your fellow worshipers,  
please turn off or silence cell phones prior to this Worship Service. Thank you for your co-operation.*


Faith Lutheran Church  
Green Bay, Wisconsin

**Prelude**      “On Eagle’s Wings” - Chas. Callahan


## HYMN: "Great God of Mercy"




1. Great God of mer - cy, God of con - so-  
 2. Je - sus Re - deem - er, Lord of all cre-  
 3. Joy - giv - ing Spir - it, be our light in  
 4. God in three per - sons, Trin - i - ty e-



la - tion, Look on your peo - ple, gath - ered here to  
 a - tion, Come as our Sav - ior, Je - sus, friend of  
 dark - ness, Come to be - friend us, help us bear our  
 ter - nal, Come to re - new us, fill your Church with



praise you: Pit - y our weak - ness, come in pow'r to  
 sin - ners: Grant us for - give - ness, lift our down-cast  
 bur - dens: Give us true cour - age, breathe your peace a-  
 glo - ry: Grant us your heal - ing, pledge of res - ur-



aid us, Source of all bless - ing.  
 spir - it, Heal us and save us.  
 round us, Stay with us al - ways.  
 rec - tion, Fore - taste of heav - en.

## INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
 Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(silence for reflection)

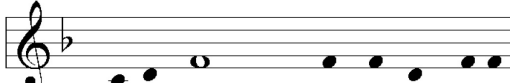


Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.


**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.**

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 the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

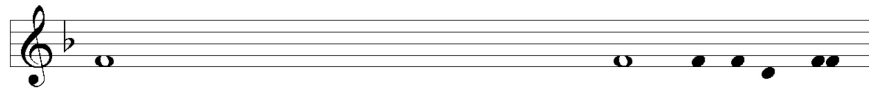
## KYRIE (LSB p. 152)



A: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy



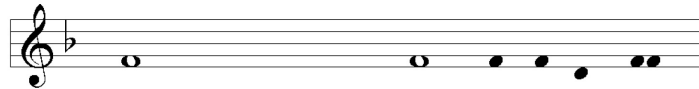
For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy



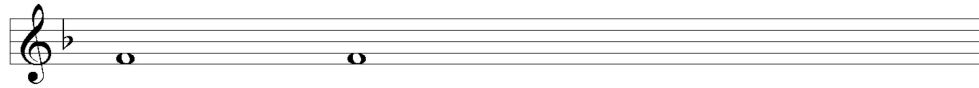
A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church, that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**



## READINGS

### Old Testament

### Genesis 3:1-21

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?"

And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'"

But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"

And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself."

He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"

The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate."

Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

The LORD God said to the serpent,  
"Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

To the woman he said, "I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you."

And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

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

**Psalm 32:1-7**



Blessed is the one whose transgression is for- | given,  
whose sin is | covered.

**Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no in- | iquity,  
and in whose spirit there is | no deceit.**

For when I kept silent, my bones wast- | ed away  
through my groaning | all day long.

**For day and night your hand was heavy up- | on me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of | summer.**

I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not cover my in- | iquity;  
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"  
and you forgave the iniquity | of my sin.

**Therefore let everyone who is godly  
offer prayer to you at a time when you | may be found;  
surely in the rush of great waters,  
they shall not | reach him.**

You are a hiding place for me;  
you preserve me from | trouble;  
you surround me with shouts of de- | liverance.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the † Son  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
As it was in the be- | ginning,  
is now and will be forever. | Amen.**

**Epistle**

**Romans 5:12-19**

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

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



## GOSPEL VERSE

Jan Bender

Then Jesus said to him: "Begone, Satan!  
Begone, for it is written: 'You shall worship the Lord your God  
and Him alone shall you serve.'"  
*Matthew 4:10 RSV*

The Holy Gospel, according to St Matthew, the fourth chapter:  
**Glory to You, O Lord**

## HOLY GOSPEL

### Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."

But he answered, "It is written, "'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, "'He will command his angels concerning you,' and "'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, "'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.'"

Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**

## NICENE CREED

**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.**

## (Sunday) CHILDREN'S LESSON

*Kerrick Sawyer - Principal, Trinity Lutheran School*

HYMN: "I Am Content! My Jesus Ever Lives" - LSB #468, stanzas 1, 2, 4

1. I am con - tent! My Je - sus ev - er lives, In  
2. I am con - tent! My Je - sus is my head; His  
4. I am con - tent! At length I shall be free, A -

whom my heart is pleased. He has ful - filled the Law of God for  
mem - ber I shall be. He bowed His head when on the cross He  
wak - ened from the dead, A - ris - ing glo - rious ev - er - more to

me, God's wrath He has ap - peased. Since He in death could  
died With cries of ag - o - ny. Now death is brought in -  
be With You, my liv - ing head. The chains that hold my

per - ish nev - er, I al - so shall not die for - ev - er.  
to sub - jec - tion For me by Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion.  
bo - dy, sev - er; Then shall my soul re - joice for - ev - er.

I am con - tent! I am con - tent!  
I am con - tent! I am con - tent!  
I am con - tent! I am con - tent!

THE MESSAGE Pastor Joshua Errer

Gathering of the Offering

Did you know... That your offering provides free counseling and spiritual care to those who are hurting?

Faith members willingly support the ministry of this congregation with their tithes and offerings. Visitors are always welcomed as our guests, so please do not feel obligated to contribute. During the gathering of the offering we ask that the registration in the red folder located at the end of each pew be passed down and filled out by visitors and members. Visitors, please remember to include contact information if you are interested in knowing more about Faith.

Scan to Give




OFFERTORY: "Create in Me" (Ps. 51:1-12)

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH


+ SACRAMENT +  
(LSB p. 160)

PREFACE

  
**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.

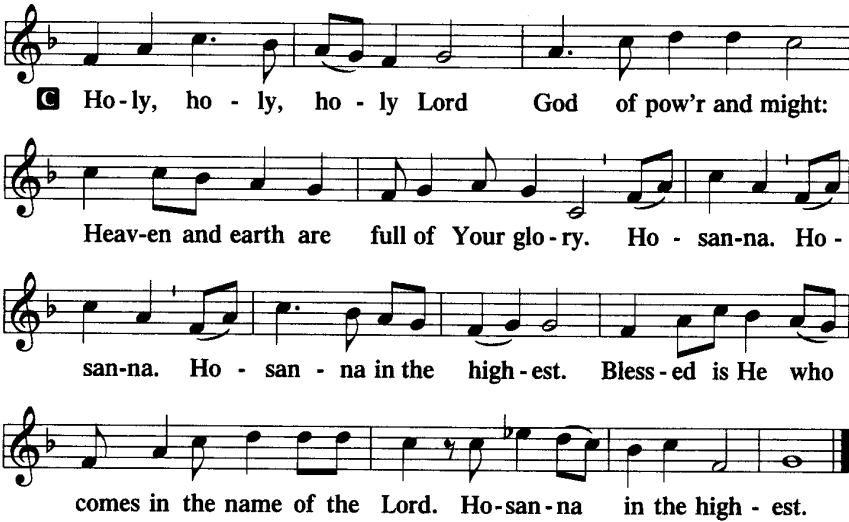
  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[Psalm 136]

  
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS

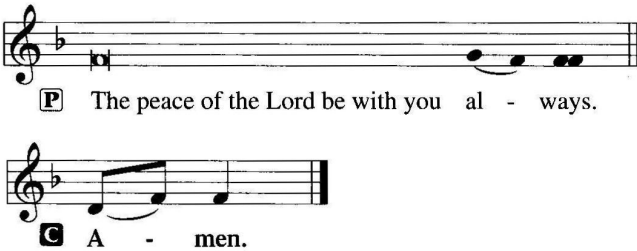


LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI





AGNUS DEI

Musical notation for the Agnus Dei, featuring a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody is written on a single staff with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "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."

Visitors, please see the inside front cover of the bulletin for an explanation of our communion practice. Also, non-alcoholic wine is available in the individual cups. It is the clear wine in the cups at the center of the tray. Note: If you prefer to receive from the chalice, simply do not take one of the individual cups. The pastor will follow with the chalice.

COMMUNION HYMNS

8:00 Adult Choir: "Have Mercy on Me, O God" - Carl Schalk

*Have mercy on me, O God.  
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.  
Purge me hyssop, and I shall be whiter than snow.  
Have mercy on me O God.  
Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.  
Then will I teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners will return to thee.  
Have mercy on me O God.*

Psalm 51 1a, 2, 7, 9, 13

"Christ, the Life of All the Living" - LSB #420  
(stanzas 1-4; organ interlude; stanzas 5-7)

"On Eagle's Wings" - LSB #727

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT  
Amen.

BENEDICTION  
Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

HYMN: "O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days" - LSB #418

Musical notation for the hymn "O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days", featuring a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. The melody is written on a single staff with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "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."

Postlude

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