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

Prelude

 HYMN: "Great God of Mercy"



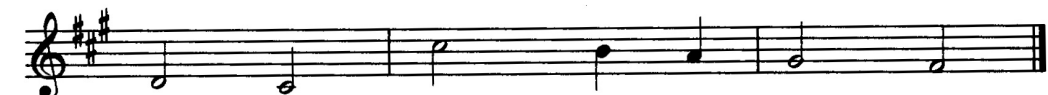
1. Great God of mer - cy, God of con - so - la - tion,
2. Je - sus Re deem - er, Lord of all cre - a - tion,
3. Joy - giv - ing Spir - it, be our light in dark - ness,
4. God in three per - sons, Trin - i - ty e - ter - nal,



1. Look on your peo - ple, gath - ered here to praise you:
2. Come as our Sav - ior, Je - sus, friend of sin - ners:
3. Come to be - friend us, help us bear our bur - dens:
4. Come to re - new us, fill your Church with glo - ry:



1. Pit - y our weak - ness, come in pow'r to
2. Grant us for - give - ness, lift our down - cast
3. Give us true cour - age, breathe your peace a -
4. Grant us your heal - ing, pledge of res - ur -



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

Faith Lutheran Church
Green Bay, Wisconsin

INVOCATION

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

OPENING SENTENCES *Based on Ephesians 2:1, 4–5*


Following the course of this world,
we were dead in the trespasses and sins in which we once walked.

But God, being rich in mercy, made us alive together with Christ—
by grace we have been saved.

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.

 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 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.
Amen.

 **KYRIE** (KIR-ee-ay ay-LAY-ee-sohn;
CREE-stay ay-LAY-ee-sohn;
KIR-ee-ay ay-LAY-ee-sohn)

The Kyrie (“Lord have mercy”) has been sung by the faithful for millennia and is the only part of our liturgy that remains in the original Greek. This simple call and response version is based on plainchant and is typical of many of the earliest documented examples.

Cantor: *Assembly:* Richard Proulx, 1970

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

+ SCRIPTURES FOR THE DAY +



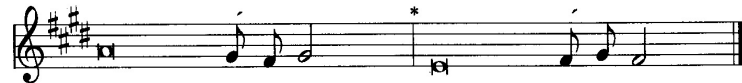
Old Testament:

Numbers 21:4-9

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

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

PSALM 107:1-9, (ant. 19)



Then they cried to the LORD in their | trouble,
and he saved them from | their distress.

**Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;
his love endures for- | ever.**

Let the redeemed of the | LORD say this—
those he redeemed from the hand | of the foe,

**those he gathered | from the lands,
from east and west, from | north and south.**

Some wandered in desert | wastelands,
finding no way to a city where | they could settle.

**They were hungry and | thirsty,
and their lives | ebbd away.**

Then they cried out to the LORD in their | trouble,
and he delivered them from | their distress.

**He led them by a | straight way
to a city where | they could settle.**

Let them give thanks to the LORD for his un- | failing love
and his wonderful | deeds for men,

**for he satisfies the | thirsty
and fills the hungry | with good things.**

Then they cried to the LORD in their | trouble,
and he saved them from | their distress.

**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

Ephesians 2:1-10

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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

10:30 Adult Choir “How Firm a Foundation” - arr. Molly Ijames

 The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter
Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 3:14-2

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.
"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

This is the Gospel of the 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: Alex Wright - Director of Christian Education

HYMN OF THE DAY:


Today’s sermon hymn, one of very few to reference the account of Moses and the serpent, was written by John Newton, who also wrote perhaps the most widely known of Christian hymns “Amazing Grace.” In his own life Newton turned from the sins of his early years including participating in the eighteenth-century slave trade to a bold proclamation of the Gospel. It is sung here to a tune from the American shape-note tradition.



1. As the ser - pent raised by Mos - es Healed the
2. Hear His gra - cious in - vi - ta - tion, "I have
5. I have seen what you were do - ing; though you
6. You had been for - ev - er wretch - ed, Had I



burn - ing ser - pent's bite, Je - sus thus him -
life and peace to give, I have wrought out
lit - tle thought of me; You were mad - ly
not es - poused your part; Now be - hold my



self dis - clos - es To the wound - ed sin - ner's sight.
full sal - va - tion, Sin - ner look - to me and live.
bent on ru - in, But I said it shall not be.
arms out - stretch - ed To re - ceive you to my heart.

8. See! Your sins are all forgiven
I have paid the countless sum!
Now my death has opened heaven,
Thither you shall shortly come."
9. Dearest Savior, we adore Thee
For Thy precious life and death;
Melt each stubborn heart before Thee
Give us all the eye of faith.

 SERMON: Vicar Chase Greenhagen

Gathering of the Offering

OFFERTORY: “Create in Me” (LSB p. 192)

♫ Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
And take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
And uphold me with Thy free Spirit. Amen

Psalm 51:10-12

PRAYERS

**+ SACRAMENT +
(LSB p. 160)**

PREFACE

♫ **P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

♫ **G** And al - so with you.

♫ **P** Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]

♫ **G** We lift them to the Lord.

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

[Psalm 136]

♫ **G** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS

♫ **G** Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.



AGNUS DEI

10:30 Adult Choir: “Lamb of God, Pure and Holy” - arr. F. Melius Christiansen

8:00, Monday “Lamb of God, Pure and Holy” - *LSB* #434

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 the pastor 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.

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

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Amazing Grace” - *LSB* #744

“God Loved the World So That He Gave” - *LSB* #571



POST- COMMUNION COLLECT

BENEDICTION

Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

HYMN: Lift High the Cross - *LSB* #837, stanzas 1, 2, 4

Refrain:

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore His sacred name.**

- 1. Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.**

Refrain

- 2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.**

Refrain

- 4. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee.**

Refrain

Postlude

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