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

Prelude Handbells 8:00 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" - arr. John Behnke 10:30 "How Brightly Shines the Morning Star" - arr. Michael Keller Monday "These are the Holy Ten Commands" - J. S. Bach

#### **Order of Service**

(adapted from Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service - Setting Four, p. 203)

HYMN: "O Word of God Incarnate" - LSB #523

#### **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.

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.

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**



- 1. Glo-ry be to God in heav-en, Peace to those who love Him well.
- 2. On ly Son of God the Fa ther, Lamb who takes our sin a way,



On the earth let all His peo-ple Speak His grace, His won - ders tell: Now with them in tri-umph seat-ed For Your mer - cy Lord, we pray;



Lord, we praise You for Your glo-ry, Might-y Fa-ther heav-en's King; Je - sus Christ most high and ho-ly, Sav - ior, You are God a - lone



Hear our joy-ful ad - o - ra-tion, And ac-cept the thanks we bring. In the glo-ry of the Fa-ther With the Spir-it, Three in One!

#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by your goodness to the glory of Your name; 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**

## Deuteronomy 30:15-20

"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it.

But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess.

I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

This the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:1-8



Blessed are those whose way is | blameless, who walk in the law | of the Lord!

Blessed are those who keep his testi- monies, who seek him with their whole heart,

who also | do no wrong, but walk | in his ways!

You have commanded your | precepts to be kept dili- | gently.

Oh that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!

Then I shall not be | put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your com- | mandments.

I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your right-eous decrees.

I will keep your | statutes; do not utterly for- | sake me!

Glory be to the Father and | to the ♣ Son and to the Holy | Spirit;

As is was in the be- | ginning,
 is now and will be forever. | Amen.

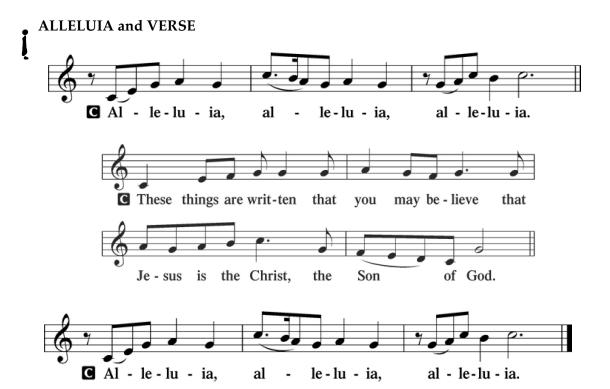
Epistle 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.



The Holy Gospel according to John, the twentieth chapter: Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL Matthew 5:21-37

"You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell.

"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

"Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.' But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil.

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.

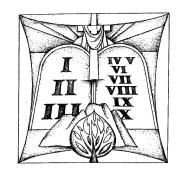
He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

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.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "These Are the Holy Ten Commands" - LSB #581

**THE MESSAGE:** Pastor Jim Athey



## **Gathering of Offerings**

Handbells: 8:00 "Children of the Heavenly Father" - arr. Lloyd Larson

10:30 "Beautiful Savior" - arr. Frances Callahan

Did you know... That Scripture teaches the tithe as the expectation that your giving equals 10% of your income?

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 offertory 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.





## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

#### + SACRAMENT +

(The communion liturgy begins on p. 160 of Lutheran Service Book.)

#### **PREFACE**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

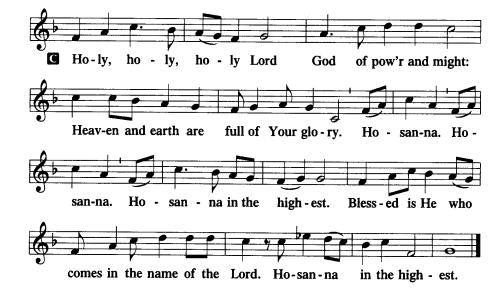
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

#### **SANCTUS**



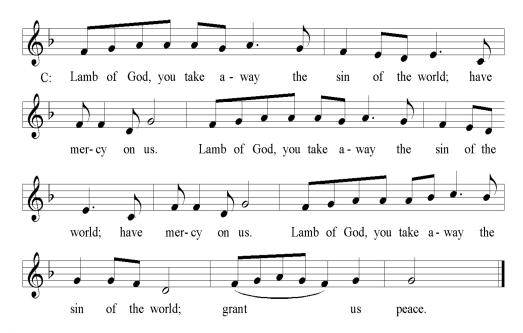
#### LORD'S PRAYER

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### **PAX DOMINI**

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

#### **AGNUS DEI**



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 the individual cups. The pastor will follow with the chalice.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

"O Bread of Life from Heaven" (Lutheran Book of Worship #222)

O Bread of Life from heaven, O Food to pilgrims given, O Manna from above: Feed with the blessed sweetness Of Your divine completeness The souls that want and need your love.

O Fount of grace redeeming, O River ever streaming From Jesus wounded side: Come now, your love bestowing On thirsting souls, and flowing Till all are fully satisfied.

We love you, Jesus, tender, In all your hidden splendor Within these means of grace. Oh, let the veil be riven, And our clear eye in heaven Behold your glory face to face.

Handbells: 8:00 "The Solid Rock" - arr. Jason Krug

10:30 "Joyful, Joyful" - arr. Michael Keller

"O Bless the Lord, My Soul" - LSB #814

# POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

BENEDICTION Amen.

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#### Welcome and Announcements

HYMN: "In Thee is Gladness" - LSB #818

- 1. In Thee is gladness Amid all sadness,
  Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
  By Thee are given The gifts of heaven,
  Thou the true Redeemer art.
  Our souls Thou wakest; Our bonds Thou breakest.
  Who trusts Thee surely Has built securely
  He stands forever: Alleluia!
  Our hearts are pining To see Thy shining,
  Dying or living, To Thee are cleaving;
  Naught us can sever: Alleluia!
- 2. Since He is ours, We fear no powers,
  Not of earth or sin nor death.
  He sees and blesses In worst distresses;
  He can change them with a breath.
  Wherefore the story Tell of His glory
  With heart and voices; All heav'n rejoices
  In Him forever: Alleluia!
  We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness,
  Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him
  Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

#### **Postlude**

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