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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.

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, 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 each our regular weekend services and other special days in the church year. 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.

Today's cover windows are located in the "wiggle room" at the back of the church. As a set they illustrate interacting with children. From left to right – Jesus healing the daughter of Jairus (Mark 5:21-24); Little children were brought to Jesus and He said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." (Matt. 19:13-15); and the children singing Hosanna (Lord, save us) and walking with Jesus in the Palm Sunday procession (Matt 21:9).

Prelude

Order of Service

(adapted from Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service - 4, p. 203)

HYMN: "Come Unto Me, Ye Weary" - LSB #684

INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

who made heaven and earth.

(Psalm 124:8)

If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord who could stand? **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** (*Psalm 130:3–4*)

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.

(Luke 18:13)



Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life.

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.

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with Your and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

+ SCRIPTURES FOR THE DAY +

Old Testament

Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

This the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46



God is our ref- uge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear though the | earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart | of the sea,

though its waters | roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its | swelling.

There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God, the holy habitation of the | Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall | not be moved; God will help her when | morning dawns.

The nations rage, the kingdoms | totter; he utters his voice, the | earth melts.

The Lord of hosts is | with us; the God of Jacob is our | fortress.

Come, behold the works of the Lord, how he has brought desolations on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.

"Be still, and know that | I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted | in the earth!"

The Lord of hosts is | with us; the God of Jacob is our | fortress.

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.

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Epistle Romans 7:14-25

For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

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

GOSPEL VERSE

Alleluia. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Alleluia.
**Matt. 11:28*

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

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.

All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SERMON:

Pastor Joshua Errer

HYMN:

"Be Still, My Soul" - LSB #752

Sunday:

Children's Message

Alex Wright - Director of Christian Education

Gathering of Offerings

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.

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

+ SACRAMENT +

(The communion liturgy begins on p. 208 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 LSB p. 208



■ Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



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



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san-na to the Lord;

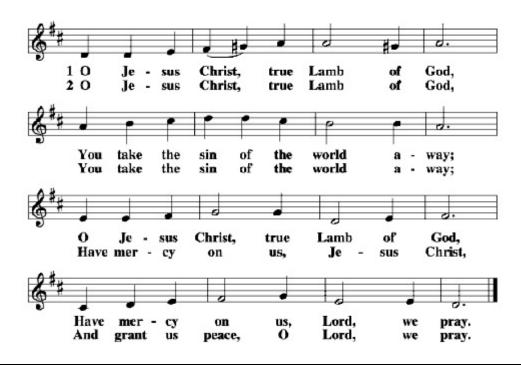


LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF OUR LORD

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

AGNUS DEI LSB p. 210



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

"Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy" - LSB #774



- 1. Day by day, Your mer-cies, Lord at-tend me, bring-ing com-fort
- 2. Day by day, I know you will pro-vide me strength to serve and
- 3. Oh, what joy to know that You are near me when my bur-dens



to my an-xious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings Lord, You send me wis-dom to o-bey; I will seek Your lov-ing will to guideme grow to great to bear; Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near-er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di-vine, be-yond all mor-tal o'er the paths I strug-gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil of the when I come, O Lord to You in prayer. Day by day, no mat-ter what be-



mea-sure, brings to naught the bur-dens of my quest; Sav-ior lead me mor-row, I will trust in Your en-dur-ing grace. Sav-ior help me tide me, You will hold me ev - er in Your hand. Sav-ior with Your



to the home I trea-sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest. bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be-hold Your face. pres-ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom-ised land.

"Drawn to the Cross" - LSB #560

NUNC DIMITTIS - Song of Simeon (LSB p. 211)



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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

BENEDICTION Amen.

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Welcome and Announcements

HYMN: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer" - LSB #918

- 1. Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer, Pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more; Feed me till I want no more.
- 2. Open now the crystal fountain
 Whence the healing streams doth flow;
 Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
 Lead me all my journey through.
 Strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer,
 Be Thou still my strength and shield;
 Be Thou still my strength and shield.
- 3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
 Bid my anxious fears subside;
 Death of death and hell's destruction,
 Land me safe on Canaan's side.
 Songs of praises, songs of praises
 I will ever give to Thee;
 I will ever give to Thee.

Postlude

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