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***Service ~ Setting Three***  
***Welcome and Announcements***

**Opening Hymn: LSB #686 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

- 1   Come, Thou Fount of ev’ry blessing,  
      Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
      Call for songs of loudest praise.  
While the hope of endless glory  
      Fills my heart with joy and love,  
Teach me ever to adore Thee;  
      May I still Thy goodness prove.**
- 2   Here I raise my Ebenezer,  
      Hither by Thy help I’ve come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,  
      Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
      Wand’ring from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
      Interposed His precious blood.**
- 3   Oh, to grace how great a debtor  
      Daily I’m constrained to be;  
Let that grace now like a fetter  
      Bind my wand’ring heart to Thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;  
      Prone to leave the God I love.  
Here’s my heart, O take and seal it,  
      Seal it for Thy courts above.**
- 4   Oh, that day when freed from sinning,  
      I shall see Thy lovely face;  
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen,  
      How I’ll sing Thy wondrous grace!  
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry;  
      Take my ransom’d soul away;  
Send Thine angels soon to carry  
      Me to realms of endless day.**

## Confession and Absolution

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

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.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**who made heaven and earth.**

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**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.**

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. **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,  
**to sing praises to your name, O Most High.**

The righteous flourish like the palm tree  
**and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.**

They are planted in the house of the LORD;  
**they flourish in the courts of our God.**

They still bear fruit in old age;  
**they are ever full of sap and green,**

to declare that the LORD is upright;  
**he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,  
to sing praises to your name, O Most High.

## Kyrie

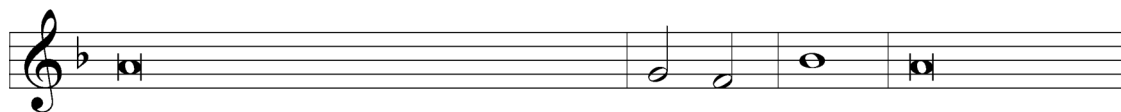
**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

**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.



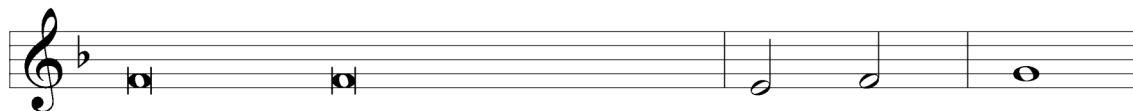
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



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

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading

### Ezekiel 17:22-24

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. <sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. <sup>24</sup>And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,  
**and his greatness is unsearchable.**

On your wondrous works, I will meditate,  
**and I will declare your greatness.**

## Epistle Reading

### 2 Corinthians 5:1–17

<sup>1</sup>We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup>For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, <sup>3</sup>if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. <sup>4</sup>For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup>He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

<sup>6</sup>So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

<sup>11</sup>Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. <sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; <sup>15</sup>and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. <sup>17</sup>Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

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

## Alleluia



## Holy Gospel

### Mark 4:26-34

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.

**Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. <sup>27</sup>He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

<sup>30</sup>And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

<sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. <sup>34</sup>He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to Thee, 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 will 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.**

## **Hymn of the Day: LSB #744 "Amazing Grace"**

**1 Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind but now I see!**

- 2 The Lord has promised good to me,  
His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
His grace has brought me safe thus far,  
His grace will lead me home.
- 4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail  
And mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail  
In heaven's joy and peace.
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.

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## Sermon:

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

## Offertory

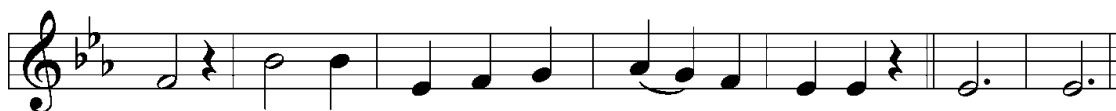


Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it





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.

## Offering

### Hymn during Offering: LSB #809 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

- 1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.  
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be. Refrain  
ref Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
- 2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain
- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Refrain

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## Prayer of the Church

*(each petition after ends)*

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.



## **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.**

## **Salutation and Benedicamus**

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Bless we the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and+ give you peace. **Amen.**

## **Closing Hymn: LSB #801 “How Great Thou Art”**

**1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder**

**Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,**

**I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,**

**Thy pow’r throughout the universe displayed; Refrain**

**ref Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,**

**How great Thou art! How great Thou art!**

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,**

**How great Thou art! How great Thou art!**

**2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,**

**I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;**

**When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur**

**And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Refrain**

- 3 But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain**
- 4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim: “My God, how great Thou art!” Refrain**

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