

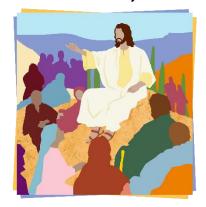
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 29, 2023

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WELCOME

Welcome in the name of Christ Jesus. As we worship, we pray that you will open your heart in preparation as our Savior comes to us through the word and sacraments. If you are a guest, please sign your name, address and most importantly your phone number in our Guest Book in the entrance and come and



worship with us again. If we can be of assistance to you in your spiritual walk through life please let us know. We invite you to join us for refreshments after the service in the room adjoining the worship facility.

AS WE GATHER

Today's Old Testament Reading is the basis for the reproaches, traditionally spoken on Good Friday: "Thus says the LORD: What have I done to you, O My people . . ." We know that, like God's ancient people, we fail to live in ways pleasing to Him. In terms of the Epistle, we reflect the world around us in its false wisdom, rather than rejoicing in God's great folly in sacrificing His Son for us. And so, we pay more attention to the beginning of each Beatitude rather than finding solace in the reason for the blessing coming with that circumstance or action. But the Law-filled "do" in that list is covered by the "done" in the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord. He is the only One who fulfilled all our heavenly Father's will. And the Good News is that He did it in our place! He took all the Father's reproaches, all our worldliness, and all our failures to the cross. The great epiphany there was our Lord's showing the world God's boundless love for us. How shall we respond?

COMMUNION PRACTICE

Lamb of God celebrates the Lord's Supper in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see MATTHEW 5:23ff; 10:32ff;18:15-35;26:26-29; 1 CORINTHIANS 11:17-34.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN



We are very happy that you are here today, whether this is your first or fiftieth time with us. If you need a little help, please ask. There are many people here at Lamb of God who will lend you a hand.

Here are some suggestions to help make worship with your children easier:

Relax! Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at Lamb of God.

Please dare to sit toward the front, where your children can easily see the pastor, note the colors, embrace the action at the altar, and wonder at the symbols in the great stained-glass windows. What Jesus does here promises to engage them.

Explain the parts of the Divine Service to your children, encouraging them to chime in on their parts: *Amen! Lord have mercy! And with your spirit! I believe! Our Father!* All of this belongs to them, too.

Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn by following your lead.

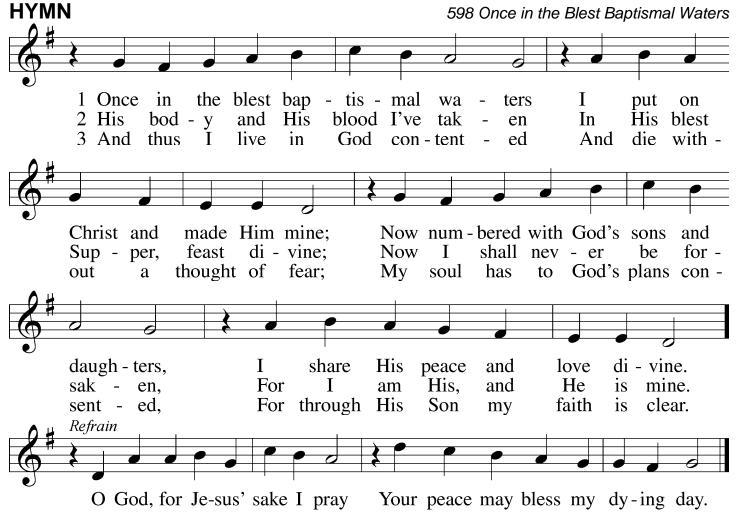
If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so – but please hurry back! Like Jesus, we want your children in the Liturgy, not out (there are soft toys and books in the nursery, and activity sheets with colored pencils in the fellowship hall which can be brought into the worship hall to help engage your child)

Remember that the way we nurture children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (LUKE 18:16)

We know that your children are a gift to the church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help, and bless you all.

+ PREPARATION +



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O INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- P In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

1 Corinthians 1:18, 30

- The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing,
- but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
- P He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus,
- whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- Let us go to the throne of God's grace, confessing our sins and asking His mercy for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 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.
- We cannot repay God for our offenses, but He has given us His only Son to pay for every sin. As a called servant of Christ, and in his stead and by his command, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen. Thanks be to God.



+ WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 1:1–5; antiphon: v. 6

- Por the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish. Blessèd is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
- 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.
- P For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

KYRIE Mark 10:47

- P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- 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 mercy.
- For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- Let us pray. Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright.
- Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations;
- through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.



OLD TESTAMENT READING

Micah 6:1-8

The Old Testament Reading is from Micah, the sixth chapter. ¹Hear what the LORD says:

Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice.

²Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the LORD has an indictment against his people, and he will contend with Israel.

³"O my people, what have I done to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me!

⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

⁵O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD."

⁶"With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

⁸He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

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

GRADUAL

Psalm 15; antiphon: Psalm 16:1

- Praise the LORD, all nations!
- **©** Extol Him, all peoples!
- For great is His steadfast love toward us,
- and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
- L Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;
- bring an offering, and come into His courts!



SECOND READING

Mark 9:33–41

■ The Second Reading is from Mark, the ninth chapter.

³³And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" ³⁴But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

³⁸John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰For the one who is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward.

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



HOLY GOSPEL John 4:1–26

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter.

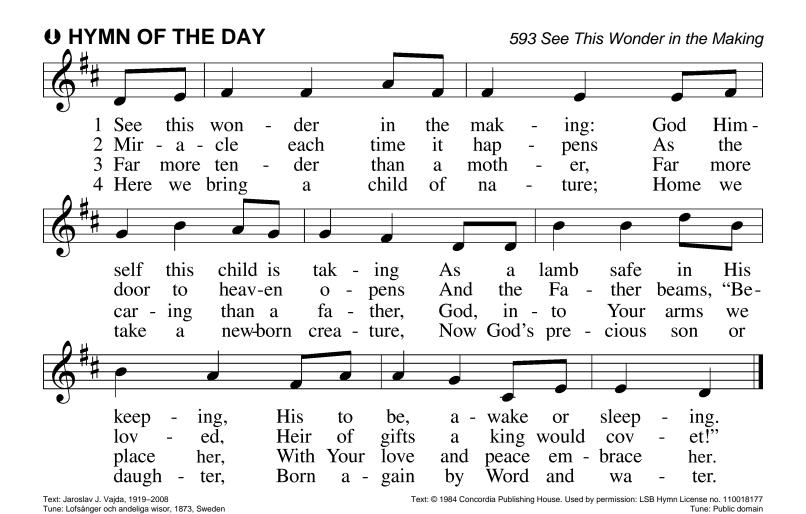
G Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John ²(although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), ³he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. ⁴And he had to pass through Samaria. ⁵So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

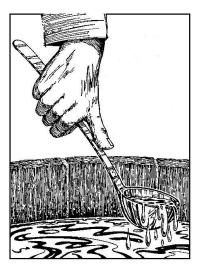
⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." ¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." ²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." ²⁶Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.



SERMON



Rev. Eugene Larmi "Water"

+ HOLY BAPTISM +

The Baptismal Party comes forward and gathers around the baptismal font.

O INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

BAPTISMAL ADDRESS

Matthew 28:18b-19; Mark 16:16a; 1 Peter 3:21

P Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you." The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

NAMING OF THE CANDIDATE

- P How are you named?
- R Reba Dawne Voigt

SIGN OF THE CROSS

P Reba Dawne Voigt, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your

→ forehead and upon your

→ heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

THE FLOOD PRAYER

Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold Reba Dawne Voigt according to Your boundless mercy and bless her with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in her, which has been inherited from Adam and which she herself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that she be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, she would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

ADDRESS TO SPONSORS

- Prom ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates and catechumens. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church sponsors are to confess the faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are, whenever possible, to witness the Baptism of those they sponsor. They are to pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them toward the faithful reception of the Lord's Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor.
- P Is it your intention to serve Reba Dawne Voigt as sponsors in the Christian faith?
- R Yes, with the help of God.
- P God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.
- C Amen.

HOLY GOSPEL FOR BAPTISM

Mark 10:13-16 NKJV

P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

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

BLESSING

- P The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even

 forevermore.
- C Amen.

O RENUNCIATION

- P Reba Dawne Voigt, do you renounce the devil?
- R Yes, I renounce him.
- P Do you renounce all his works?
- R Yes, I renounce them.
- P Do you renounce all his ways?
- R Yes, I renounce them.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

- P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
- R Yes, I believe.
- P Do you believe 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?
- R Yes, I believe.
- P Do you 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?
- R Yes, I believe.
- P Reba Dawne Voigt, do you desire to be baptized?
- R Yes, I do.

THE BAPTISM

- Reba Dawne Voigt, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

BLESSING OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

- The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life

 vertextup everlasting.
- C Amen.

PRESENTATION OF THE WHITE GARMENT

P Receive this white garment to show that you have been clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covers all your sin. So shall you stand without fear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the inheritance prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

PRESENTATION OF THE BAPTISMAL CANDLE

Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

THE WELCOME

- In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our sister in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

O COLLECT FOR THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

- Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Reba Dawne Voigt the new birth in Holy Baptism and made [her a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as she has now become Your child, You would keep her in her baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure she may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE GIFT OF A CHILD

- P Heavenly Father, You sent Your own Son into this world as the child of the virgin Mary. We thank You for the life of this child entrusted to our care. Help us remember that we are all Your children and so love and nurture her that she may attain to the full stature intended for her in Your eternal kingdom, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

FOR PARENTS

- Lord and Giver of life, look with kindness upon the father and mother of this child and upon all our parents. Let them ever rejoice in the gift You have given them. Enable them to be teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism that they may share eternally with their children the salvation You have given them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

FOR THE CHURCH AND HER MEMBERS

- P Almighty and everlasting God, since You govern and sanctify the whole Christian Church by Your Holy Spirit, hear our prayers for all her members, and mercifully grant that by Your grace we may serve You in true faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Baptismal party returns to their seats.

O PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P Almighty God, we give You thanks for Your liberating Word made known especially in the light shining through the glorious cross of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant that Your Word enlighten our hearts and minds now that we may keep it and bring forth the fruits of faith in all that we say and do. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- By Your light of life, rule and govern Your whole Church throughout the world that all those who proclaim Your truth be preserved in the pure doctrine of Your saving Word and that faith and love be strengthened and increased in all Your people. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Bless our country and all who are in authority. Let Your glory dwell in our land that mercy and truth, righteousness and peace may abound everywhere. We commend to You the care of our schools so that our children grow in useful knowledge and Christian virtue, bringing forth wholesome fruits of life. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Comfort all who are in trouble, sickness, anguish, or any other adversity. Grant courage and strength to all who suffer for Your name's sake. In every time of trouble, show Yourself a very present help, the Savior of all. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Accept, we pray, our bodies and souls, hearts and minds, all our talents and powers, together with the offerings we bring before You as our humble service. Help us to prepare for the world to come, doing the work You have given us to do while it is day before the night comes when no one can work. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

OFFERING

Offering plates will be passed by ushers. Please enter your attendance in the Record of Fellowship













- 1 We give Thee Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be; but Thy boun - ties 2 May we thus As stew-ards true re - ceive 3 Oh. hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold, 4 To com - fort find and bless. To a balm for woe. to

All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee. And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give! And lambs for whom the Shep-herd bled Are stray-ing from the fold. To tend the lone and fa - ther-less Is an - gels' work be - low.

- 5 The captive to release, To God the lost to bring, To teach the way of life and peace, It is a Christ-like thing.
- 6 And we believe Thy Word, Though dim our faith may be: Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord, We do it unto Thee.

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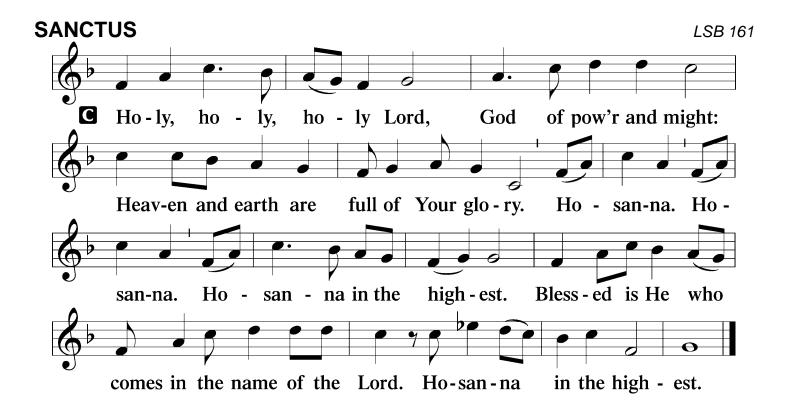
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OPREFACE

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9–13

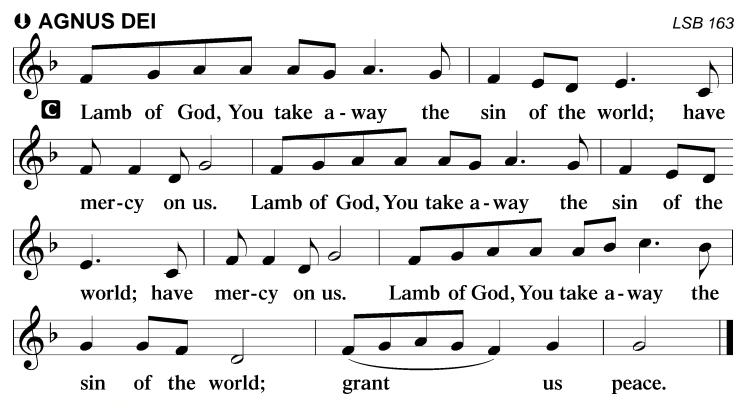
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.



PAX DOMINI

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

WE SHARE THE PEACE







- 1 The gifts Christ free ly gives He gives to you and me
- own: The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His
- The gifts From ab - so - lu - tion flow; of grace and peace
- 4 The gifts The ho - ly Word is there each day read; are



To His Church, His bride, His cho - sen, saved free! be and New life He gives that makes Us His and His lone. a pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know. God's chil-dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they fed. are



Saints blest with these rich gifts for - gives our He sins For - give - ness that we need Christ fills them with Him - self.

chil - dren who pro - claim Are wa - ter and With His Word: Is grant - ed there: to us Blest words that give them life.



That they were won by Christ And cling His to strong name. tri - une God Him-self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord. Us forth in His The Lord of mer - cy sends blest care. re-fresh - ing Them for this world's Re - stor - ing and strife.

- 5 The gifts are in the feast, Gifts far more than we see; Beneath the bread and wine Is food from Calvary. The body and the blood Remove our ev'ry sin; We leave His presence in His peace, renewed again.
- All glory to the One Who lavishes such love; The triune God in love Assures our life above. His means of grace for us Are gifts He loves to give; All thanks and praise for His Great love by which we live!

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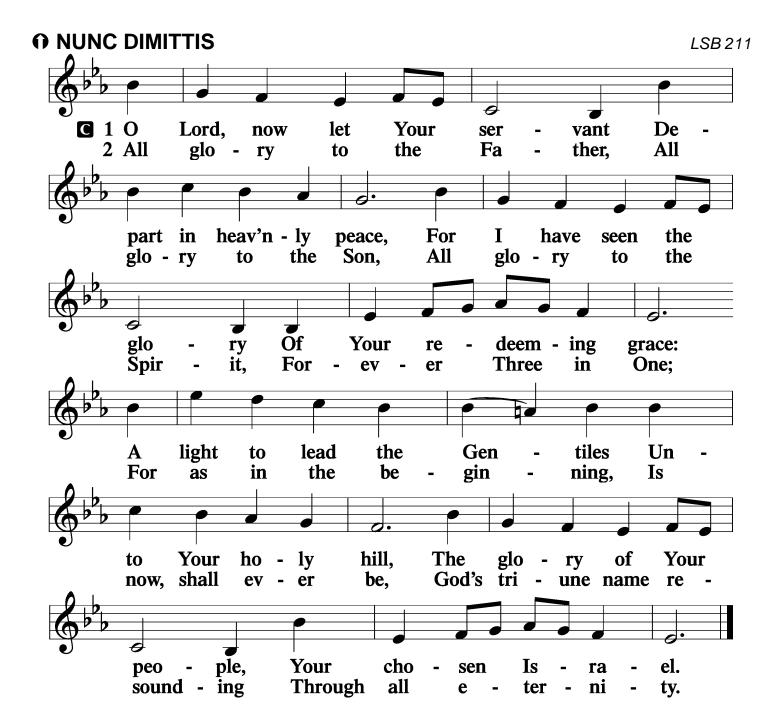
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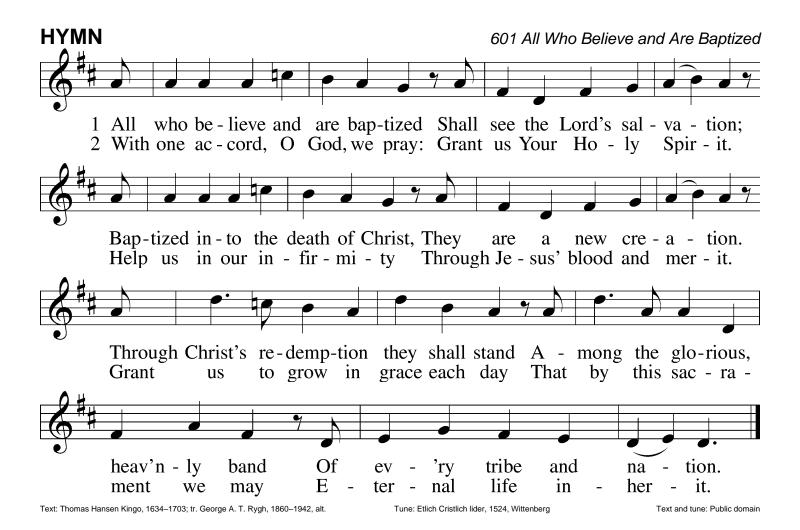
POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift,
- and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another;
- through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

O ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BIRTHDAYS

BENEDICTION

- C Amen.



DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

