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A NOTE TO OUR VISITORS

We're glad you're here! If you've never been to a liturgical Lutheran service it may look and sound different, but please bear with us! We worship the way we do for a reason. We gather together to receive the gifts of salvation that our Triune God eagerly comes to give to us through His Word and Sacrament. In these gifts we receive faith, forgiveness, and life everlasting. Our worship is the unwrapping of these gifts: the liturgy, hymns, and preaching proclaim His Word to us, remind us of the promise of our baptism, and prepare us to receive the Lord's Supper. Through these means of grace God comes to serve us so our worship is organized and centered around receiving these gifts through faith.

A STATEMENT ABOUT CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

And they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them. And when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

Luke 18:15-17; Matthew 19:13-15; Mark 10:13-16

We eagerly bring our children before the Lord in worship. All are conceived in sin and all need the forgiveness He gives in Word and Sacrament, no matter the age. Therefore, we ask that your children remain in worship with us, unless it becomes absolutely necessary to remove them for a time. There is no better way to train up our children than by them watching and absorbing, and as they learn about God and what all He has done for us, may we learn from them simple faith so that we too receive the kingdom of God as they do.

****Early service responses are spoken. Late service responses are sung.****

✠ CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION ✠

OPENING HYMN

729 *I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus*



1 I am trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, Trust - ing on - ly Thee;
2 I am trust-ing Thee for par - don; At Thy feet I bow,
3 I am trust-ing Thee for cleans - ing In the crim - son flood;
4 I am trust-ing Thee to guide me; Thou a - lone shalt lead,



Trust - ing Thee for full sal - va - tion, Great and free.
For Thy grace and ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.
Trust - ing Thee to make me ho - ly By Thy blood.
Ev - 'ry day and hour sup - ply - ing All my need.

5 I am trusting Thee for power;
Thine can never fail.

Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me
Must prevail.

6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
Never let me fall.

I am trusting Thee forever
And for all.

Stand. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **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.**

P 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. **C Amen.**

Sit

✝ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✝

ENTRANCE HYMN

733 O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten as a dream
Dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last
And our eternal home!

INTROIT

P I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

C **I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.**

P Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.

C This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.

P The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,
and delivers them.

C Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

C 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.

KYRIE

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

P For the peace from above and for our
salvation let us pray to the Lord.

P 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.

P For this holy house and for all who offer
here their worship and praise let us pray
to the Lord.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us,
gracious Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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C Lord, have mer - cy.



C A - men.

LATE SERVICE—GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-sip You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.
 For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,
 You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 38:4-18

[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?”

“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, and said, “Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed?”

“Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken.

“Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 18:1–6

- P** I love you,
O LORD, my strength.
- C** **The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**
- P** I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.
- C** **The cords of death encompassed me;
the torrents of destruction assailed me;**
- P** the cords of Sheol entangled me;
the snares of death confronted me.
- C** **In my distress I called upon the LORD;
to my God I cried for help.**
- P** From his temple he heard my voice,
and my cry to him reached his ears.

EPISTLE

Romans 10:5–17

Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

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

Stand

EARLY SERVICE—ALLELUIA AND VERSE

- P** Alleluia. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying,
C **“Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” Alleluia.**

LATE SERVICE—ALLELUIA



Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.



C Glo-ry to You, O Lord.

Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

C 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.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

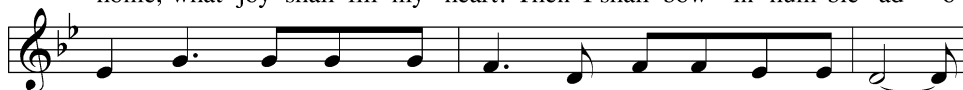
801 How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
 3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y
 birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

SERMON, FELLOWSHIP PAD

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P ...Lord, in your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

P ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

LATE SERVICE—OFFERTORY



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE & SANCTUS

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



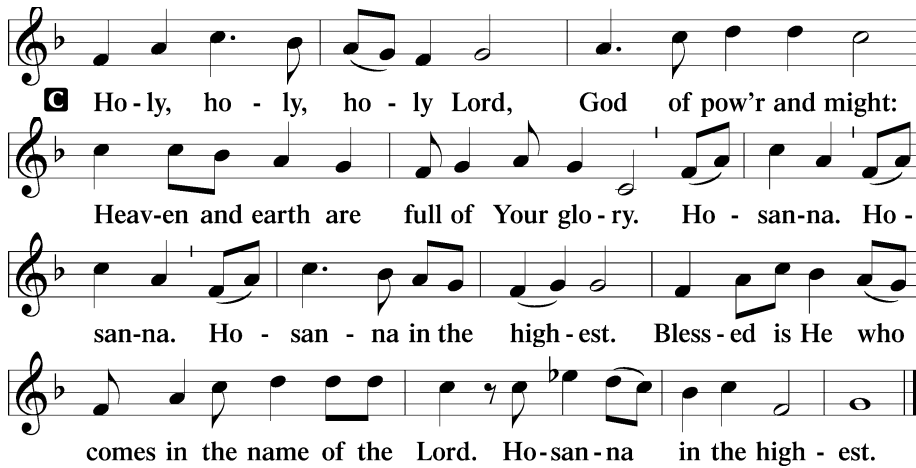
C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary... evermore praising you and saying:



C 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P** Blessed are You, ...with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD & PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

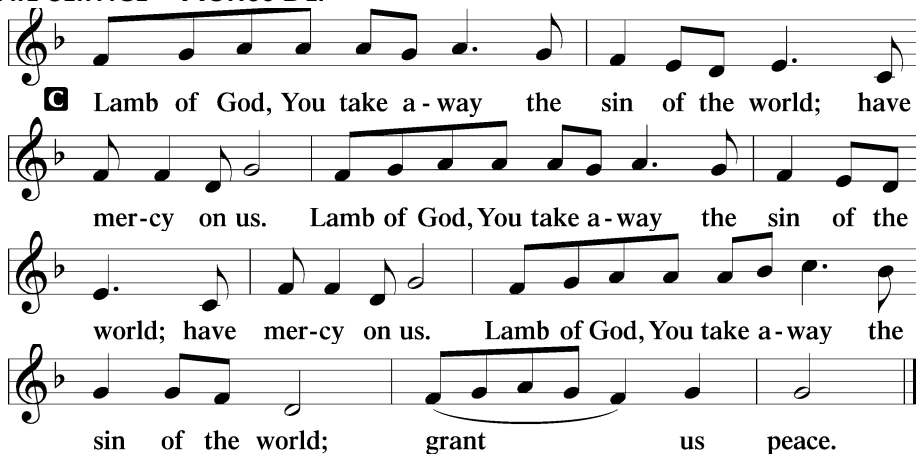
LORD'S PRAYER & PAX DOMINI

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



C A - men.

LATE SERVICE—AGNUS DEI



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

There are many notions and convictions about worship and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. It is our belief that Jesus Christ is really present in this holy meal – that in eating and drinking the bread and wine we receive Christ's true body and blood. Because it can be received in an unworthy manner for judgement rather than blessing (1 Corinthians 11:27) we make use of the practice of close(d) communion. If you are not a confirmed member in good standing of a sister congregation within our Synod, you may come forward to receive a blessing by crossing your hands over your chest. Even if you do not come forward, please join in our prayer for when all divisions cease, and God's elect will be together in joyous assembly in the banquet hall of heaven!

PRAYER FOR RIGHT RECEPTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

“O Lord, our God, in Holy Baptism You have called us to be Christians and granted us the remission of sins. Make us ready to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all our sins, and grant us grateful hearts that we may give thanks to You, O Father, to Your Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

For Questions and Answers to help PREPARE for the Lord's Supper, turn to page 329 in hymnal.

LATE SERVICE—POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: THANK THE LORD

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.
 Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.
 He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy
 with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT & BENEDICTION

P 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 A - men.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C A - men.

HYMN TO DEPART

I Love to Tell the Story

- 1 I love to tell the story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory
Of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story,
Because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings
As nothing else would do. *Refrain*
- 2 I love to tell the story
'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it,
More wonderfully sweet
I love to tell the story,
For some have never heard
The message of salvation
From God's own holy Word. *Refrain*
- 8 I love to tell the story
Although it's sad to tell
Of how our Lord and Master
Faced pain and death and hell.
Dear Jesus, whipped and bleeding
Was hung upon the tree
And died on that Good Friday
To save both you and me. *Refrain*

- Refrain*
I love to tell the story; 'Twill be my these in
glory To tell the old, old story of Jesus and
His love.
- 4 I love to tell the story
Of how, from heav'n above
Our Lord and Savior Jesus
Was sent to show God's love
To ev'ry sinful creature
Upon this earthly place
How Christ, the gift from heaven,
Is God's great gift of grace. *Refrain*
- 9 I love to tell the story
Of how our Lord and friend.
Rose up on Easter morning
And reigns in highest heav'n.
The love of God the Father
The Spirit, and the Son
Has given us salvation
The free gift Jesus won. *Refrain*

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