

**Second Sunday After Pentecost**  
**June 22, 2025**

**As We Gather** – The season of Pentecost has arrived! With the arrival of the Holy Spirit, this season of the Church Year is marked by growth. We see evidence of the growth the Spirit is seeking in this week’s Readings. The Lord and giver of life seeks to see His people grow faithful hearts through faithful worship, resulting in faithful service. When the way ahead isn’t as clear or as comfortable as we would like, we rely on the Lord’s wisdom, leading us back to His faithful servant, Jesus Christ, who clears the obstacles of our sinfulness and comforts us with His Word and sacramental gifts.

**Offering and Registry of Worship Cards: Please fill out a Registry of Worship Card found in the pew racks. We ask that you print the names of every person in your family, indicating if they take communion. One side of the card is for members and the other side for guests. As the offering is collected, pass the cards to the center aisle so our ushers can gather them.**

**Saturday Worship:** Offerings and Worship Cards will be received in the offering plates at the rear of the church either upon entering or when leaving. Thank you for your gift to the work of the Lord.

**About Protecting the Healthy:** To protect yourself and others from COVID-19 and other infectious respiratory diseases, individuals may choose to mask at any time. Appropriate hand washing by everyone is encouraged. People with symptoms of an infectious illness are highly encouraged to stay home. Symptoms include fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea. Thank you for helping to keep everyone healthy as we receive God’s gifts in worship.

**GENERALLY, BE MINDFUL, NOT FEARFUL.**

**Prelude and Meditation:** Before worship we talk to God (see prayers on page 308 in the hymnal); during worship God talks to us; after worship we talk to one another.

**Prelude:**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
The Greeting and Sharing of Peace *(stand)*

## PREPARATION

### Hymn of Invocation: I Bind unto Myself Today

LSB 604

△ Please stand after a brief interlude



1 I bind un - to my - self to - day The  
 2 I bind this day to me for - ev - er, By  
 3 I bind un - to my - self to - day The  
 4 A - gainst the de - mon snares of sin, The  
 △ 5 I bind un - to my - self the name, The



strong name of the Trin - i - ty By  
 pow'r of faith, Christ's in - car - na - tion, His  
 pow'r of God to hold and lead, His  
 vice that gives temp - ta - tion force, The  
 strong name of the Trin - i - ty By



in - vo - ca - tion of the same, The  
 Bap - tism in the Jor - dan Riv - er, His  
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 in - vo - ca - tion of the same, The

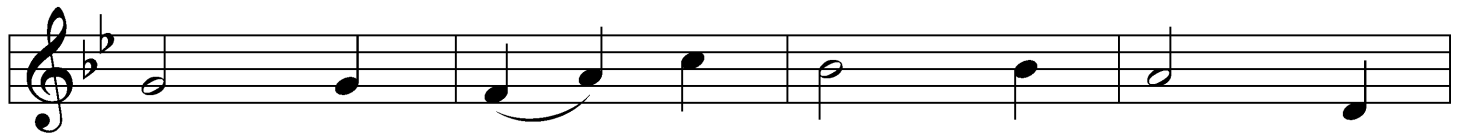


*Repeat after st. 1 only.*

Three in One and One in Three.  
 cross of death for my sal - va - tion,  
 ear to hear - ken to my need,  
 hos - tile foes that mar my course;  
 Three in One and One in Three,



(2) His burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb, His  
 (3) The wis - dom of my God to teach, His  
 (4) Or few or man - y, far or nigh, In  
 (5) Of whom all na - ture has cre - a - tion, E -



rid - ing up the heav'n - ly way, His  
 hand to guide, His shield to ward, The  
 ev - 'ry place and in all hours, A -  
 ter - nal Fa - ther, Spir - it, Word. Praise



com - ing at the day of doom,  
 Word of God to give me speech,  
 gainst their fierce hos - til - i - ty,  
 to the Lord of my sal - va - tion;



I bind un - to my - self to - day.  
 His heav'n - ly host to be my guard.  
 I bind to me those ho - ly pow'rs.  
 Sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord!

Text: attr. Patrick, c. 372-466; tr. Cecil F. Alexander, 1818-95  
 Tune: Irish  
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*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** 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.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** 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.

**P** 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.

**C** Amen.

### *Service of the Word*

#### **Introit**



**P** Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may contin- | ually come;\*  
you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my | fortress.

**C** You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive | me  
again;\*  
from the depths of the earth you will bring me | up again.

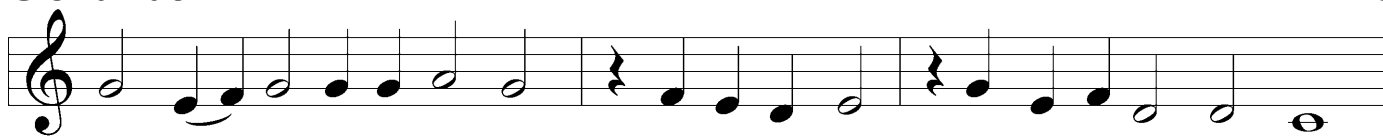
**P** You will increase my | greatness\*  
and comfort | me again.

**C** I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, | O my God;\*  
I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of | Israel.

**P** My lips will shout for joy, when I sing prais- | es to you;\*  
my soul also, which you | have redeemed.

## Gloria Patri

LSB 186



**C** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



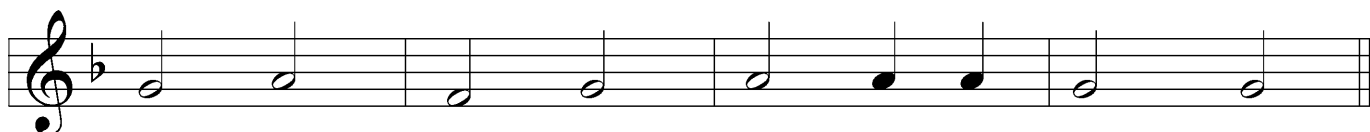
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Kyrie

LSB 186



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



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

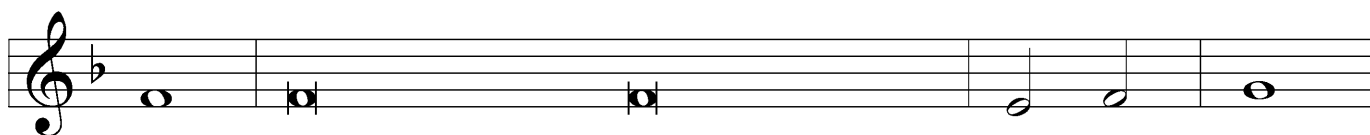
## Gloria in Excelsis

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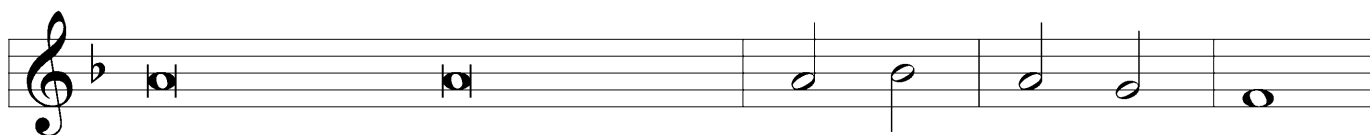
**P** Glory be to God on high:



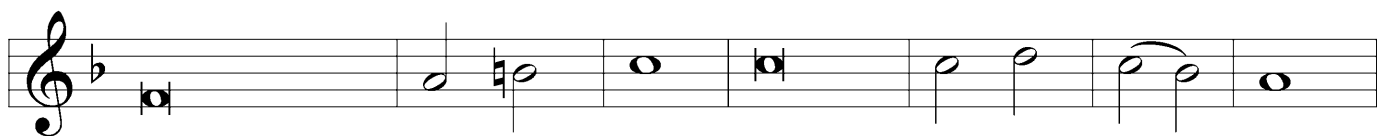
**C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



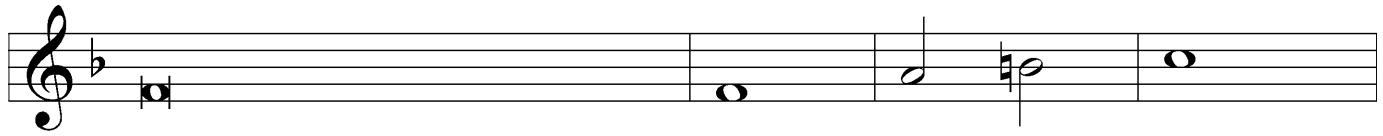
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



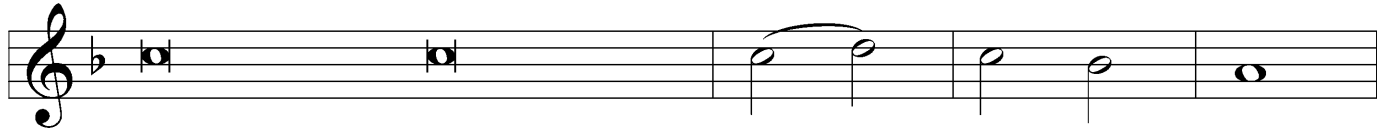
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



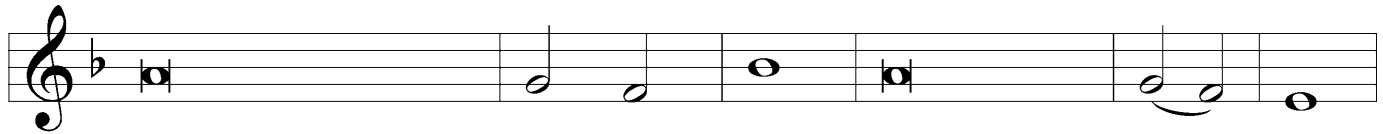
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



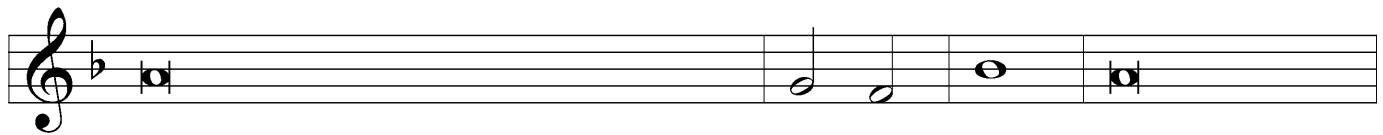
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



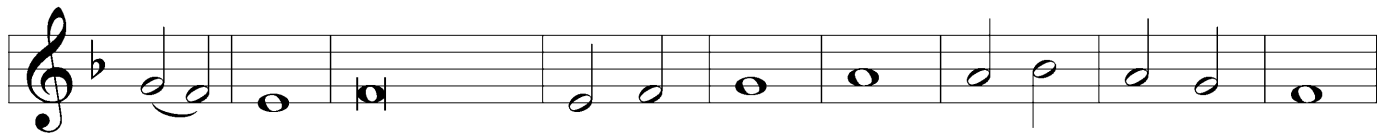
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



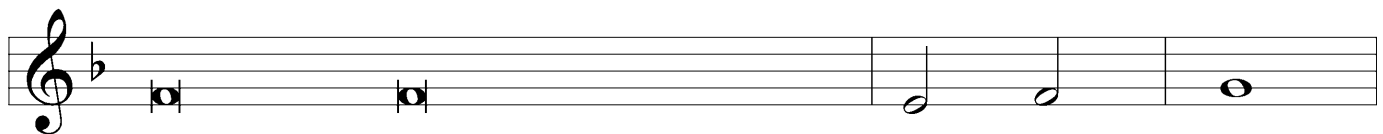
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



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.



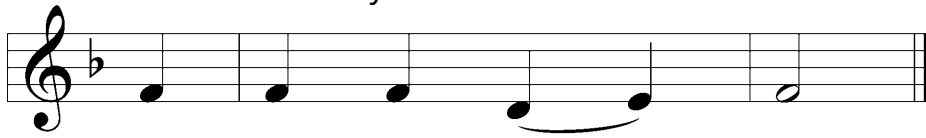
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; 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

*Isaiah 65:1–9*

<sup>1</sup>I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me;

I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here am I, here am I,"

to a nation that was not called by my name.

<sup>2</sup>I spread out my hands all the day

to a rebellious people,

who walk in a way that is not good,

following their own devices;

<sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me

to my face continually,

sacrificing in gardens

and making offerings on bricks;

<sup>4</sup>who sit in tombs,

and spend the night in secret places;

who eat pig's flesh,

and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels;

<sup>5</sup>who say, "Keep to yourself,

do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,  
a fire that burns all the day.

<sup>6</sup>Behold, it is written before me:

“I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their bosom

<sup>7</sup>both your iniquities and your fathers’ iniquities together,  
says the LORD;

because they made offerings on the mountains  
and insulted me on the hills,

I will measure into their bosom  
payment for their former deeds.”

<sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD:

“As the new wine is found in the cluster,  
and they say, ‘Do not destroy it,  
for there is a blessing in it,’

so I will do for my servants’ sake,  
and not destroy them all.

<sup>9</sup>I will bring forth offspring from Jacob,  
and from Judah possessors of my mountains;  
my chosen shall possess it,  
and my servants shall dwell there.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*Galatians 3:23—4:7*

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. <sup>27</sup>For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to promise.

<sup>1</sup>I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, <sup>2</sup>but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. <sup>3</sup>In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. <sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent



forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

### Alleluia

*LSB 190*



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

*Luke 8:26–39*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>26</sup>Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." <sup>29</sup>For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. <sup>32</sup>Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

<sup>34</sup>When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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.**

*Sit*

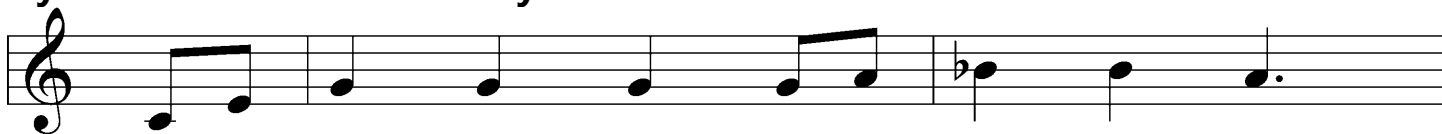
## Children's Sermon



**Hymn:**

**“Away from Us!” the Demon Cried**

LSB 541



1 “A - way from us!” the de - mon cried  
 2 But Je - sus spoke with God’s own pow’r;  
 3 O ris - en Christ, God’s liv - ing Word,  
 4 Drive out the doubt that cri - ples faith;  
 5 Then help us, Lord, to greet each day



When Christ, the Lord, drew near. “Our dark, dis - or - dered  
 “Come forth!” was His com - mand; For e - vil can - not  
 To us, we pray, draw near. Come, speak the truth that  
 Ex - pel our pride and greed That we, from pow’rs that  
 With hearts and wills made new And, when You call us



world is lost When You, the Light, ap - pear!”  
 bear the Light Nor sin the Truth with - stand.  
 cleans - es sin With love that con - quers fear.  
 threat - en us, May, by Your grace, be freed.  
 forth to serve, To rise and fol - low You.

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**Sermon**

**“Unshackled”**

**Luke 8:26 - 34**

**Choir Anthem: (Sunday Only)**

**“With All Your Heart”**

**Gathering of Our Tithes and Offerings (Sunday Only)**

**Registry of Worship Cards (Sunday Only)** – Please pass your completed cards to the center aisle

Stand

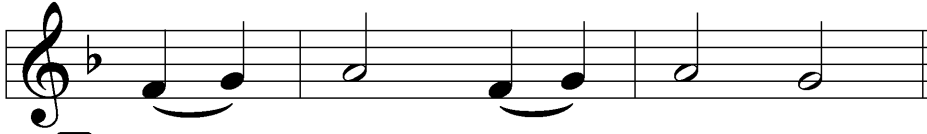
**Prayer of the Church**

## Service of the Sacrament

LSB 194

### Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

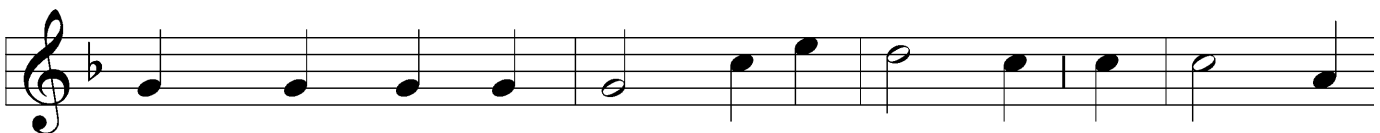
**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

### Sanctus

LSB 195



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### Lord's Prayer

LSB 179

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** **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.**

### The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

**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."

### Pax Domini

LSB 197

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



**C** A - men.

# Agnus Dei

LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## Distribution

### *Distribution Hymns (Sunday Only)*

LSB 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

LSB 825 Rise, Shine, You People

LSB 744 Amazing Grace *sts. 1-5*

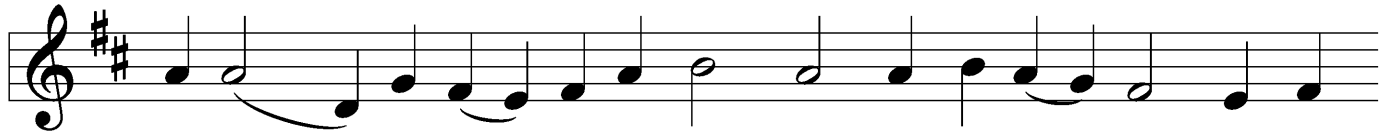
# Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace accord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



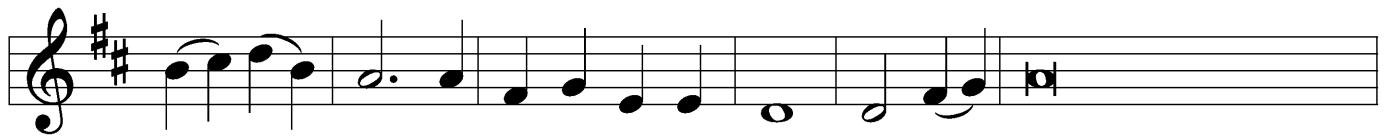
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

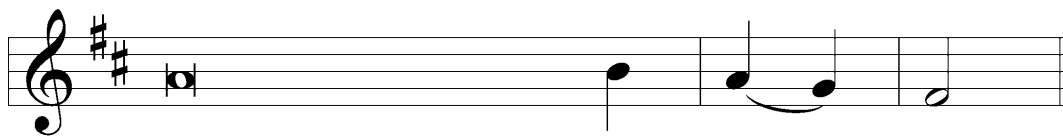


is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**(Saturday)**

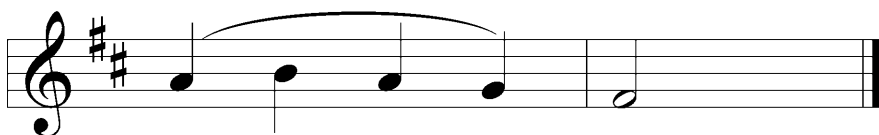
**P** Let us pray.

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

**(Sunday)**

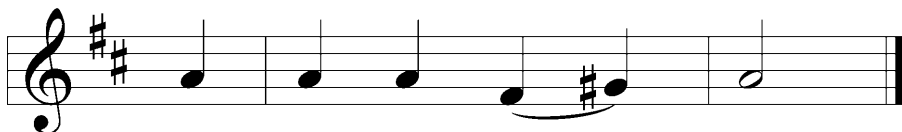
**P** Let us pray.

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** A - men.

**P** The Lord be with you.

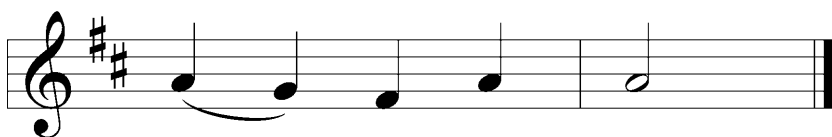


**C** And with thy spir - it.

**Benedicamus**

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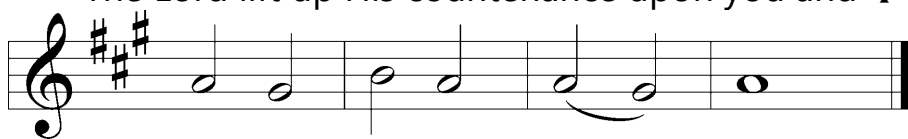
**P** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

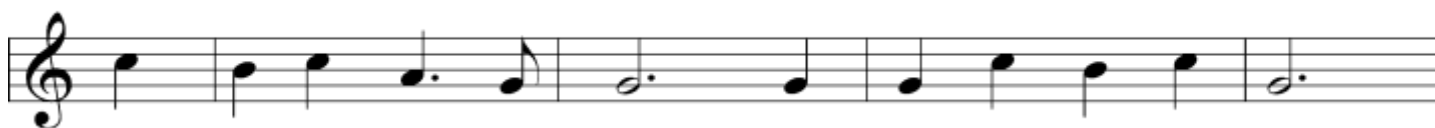


**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

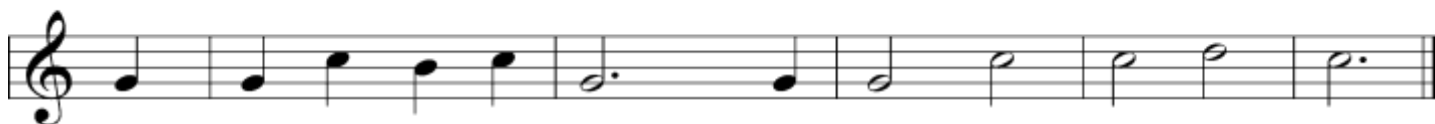
**Closing Hymn: When Morning Gilds the Skies**



1 When morn-ing gilds the skies, My heart, a - wak - ing, cries,  
 2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, This is my song of songs:  
 3 No love - lier an - ti - phon In all high heav'n is known  
 4 Ye na - tions of man - kind, In this your con - cord find:  
 5 Sing, suns and stars of space, Sing, ye that see His face,



“May Je - sus Christ be praised!” When eve - ning shad - ows fall,  
 “May Je - sus Christ be praised!” God’s ho - ly house of prayer  
 Than “Je - sus Christ be praised!” There to the e - ter - nal Word  
 “May Je - sus Christ be praised!” Let all the earth a - round  
 Sing, “Je - sus Christ be praised!” God’s whole cre - a - tion o’er,



This rings my cur - few call: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”  
 Hath none that can com - pare With “Je - sus Christ be praised!”  
 The e - ter - nal psalm is heard: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”  
 Ring joy - ous with the sound: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”  
 Both now and ev - er - more Shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

Text: Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1828, Würzburg; tr. Robert S. Bridges, 1844–1930, alt.  
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**Postlude:**

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## **ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS FROM LAST WEEK**

Saturday Worship Attendance .....	20
Sunday Worship Attendance .....	92
Envelope and Loose Plate Offerings.....	\$0
Simply Giving/Vanco.....	\$0
Paypal Offerings .....	\$0
Website (ShareFaith) .....	\$0
<b>Total of Offerings Received</b> .....	<b>\$0</b>
Misc. Income, Memorials and Special Gifts .....	\$0

**LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH** - *June 22 - Pentecost II (Proper 7C)* - Death is the devil's lair and destruction is his labor. Demonic forces lurk around the grave and lead to nowhere else (Luke 8:27). Feeble mortals do well not to dabble with such sinister powers, even if technology like abortion and assisted suicide make it accessible. Better to beg the Lord Jesus to rescue and safeguard human life even when it appears less than to us.



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***FLOWER SPONSOR*** - There is no Flower Sponsor this week.

***BULLETIN SPONSOR*** - There is no Bulletin Sponsor this week.

***MARY MARTHA QUILTERS*** - Mary Martha Quilters meet each Wednesday at 10am. All Ladies from the congregation are invited to come. You don't have to be a quilter or know how to sew as we need people who can cut, arrange, and tie.



**HELP WANTED-** The Church is in need of workers in several positions around the Church. These include Ushers, Offering Counters, Altar Guild, Lectors, Sound Board, Video Assistance, Elders (requires one year membership, and many other opportunities to serve. Please consider using your time and talents in some way here at Christ Lutheran.

**ADOPT-A-BLOCK - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED-** To reserve your spot on the team or if you have questions, please contact either Robin Fox or Pastor Chris.

**TRUSTEE WORKDAY** - The Trustee Workday is each Wednesday from 9am – 1pm. If you would like to help with the various needs of the church, come join us. A job, whether large or small can be found to help with. If you notice something you think needs attention, come let us know. Thanks for helping.

**DREAM CENTER VOLUNTEERS** – Volunteers are needed to help check- in and sort items here at Christ Lutheran for the Dream Center. Please see or contact Robin Fox at 863-513-4774 to schedule a day and time to volunteer.

**CHECK YOUR MAILBOX** – Please check your mailbox in the Narthex.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY** – For those that are not aware, our church member directory is now available online. Please see the flyer sheets in the Narthex for more information or email [stewardship@clclakeland.org](mailto:stewardship@clclakeland.org).

**NAMETAGS** – We would like to encourage all our members to please wear their nametags to church. If you can't find your nametag or don't have one, please sign-up for one on the bulletin board in the Narthex of the church.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

Luke 8:37 – “Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So He got into the boat and returned.” The Gerasenes are upset with Jesus because His ministry led to the loss of their pig herd  $\frac{3}{4}$  their wealth. They want Jesus to go away before He does any more damage to their bottom line. Their priorities are clear. What about our priorities? Is the work and ministry of Jesus worthy of our support and the sacrifice of some of our wealth?



**THIS WEEK AT CHRIST LUTHERAN**

Tuesday..... Adopt-A-Block @ 11 am  
Wednesday ..... Dream Center @ Christ Lutheran  
Trustee Workday @ 9 am  
Mary Martha Quilters @ 10 am  
Friday..... Church Office closed  
Pastor’s day off  
Saturday.....Worship @ 5:30 pm  
Sunday.....Bible Study @ 8:30 am  
Worship @ 10 am