

**Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost  
Divine Service Three (LSB184-202)  
October 17, 2021**

**AS WE GATHER...** If you look through the hymns in *Lutheran Service Book*, you will discover that the word “prosperity” is used only one time. The fifth stanza of “Now Greet the Swiftly Changing Year” (LSB 896) reflects on the guidance that Jesus gives us throughout the year: “With Him as Lord to lead our way in want and in prosperity, What need we fear in earth or space In this new year of grace!” Christian people know that the Lord Jesus Christ is leading the way through every year. Perhaps the months of this year have been swiftly changing for you. Perhaps it has not been so different from other years. In any case, the Lord’s guidance preserves our pathways from New Year’s Day in January all the way into the heart of October and beyond! Thank God for the journey! **TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY!**

**Voluntary:** Voluntary on a Martin Luther Hymn  
“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word” (LSB 655)  
Arranged by Dale Stanton

**+ CONFESSIOIN AND ABSOLUTION +**

# Hymn of Invocation: "O Day of Rest and Gladness"

LSB 906



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,  
2 This day at earth's cre - a - tion The light first had its birth;  
3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, His Ho - ly Scrip - ture hear;  
4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, We walk the pil - grim way,



O balm of care and sad - ness, Most beau - ti - ful, most bright;  
This day for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;  
His liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, Through bread and wine made near.  
At length our rest at - tain - ing, Our end - less Sab - bath day.



This day the high and low - ly, Through a - ges joined to bless,  
This day our Lord vic - to - rious The Spir - it sent from heav'n,  
We jour - ney on, be - liev - ing, Re - newed with heav'n - ly might,  
We sing to Thee our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



Sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," The tri - une God con - fess.  
And thus this day most glo - rious A three - fold light was giv'n.  
From grace more grace re - ceiv - ing, On this blest day of light.  
The Church her voice up - rais - es To Thee, blest Three in One.

*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.

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

*Ps. 34:1– 4, 17; antiphon: v:18*

P The LORD is near to the brokenhearted

**C and saves the crushed in spirit.**

P I will bless the LORD at all times;

**C his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

P My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

**C let the humble hear and be glad.**

P Oh, magnify the LORD with me,

**C and let us exalt his name together!**

P I sought the LORD, and he answered me

**C and delivered me from all my fears.**

P When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears

**C and delivers them out of all their troubles.**

P The LORD is near to the brokenhearted

**C and saves the crushed in spirit.**



**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

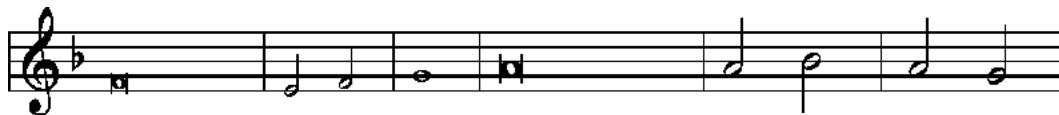


**Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -**



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

## Gloria in Excelsis



Glory be to God on high: 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.



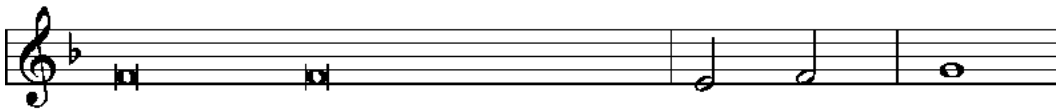
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



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,

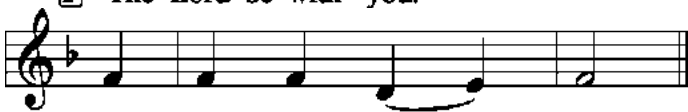


art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



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



**P** Let us pray.

P O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through

Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## Old Testament Reading

*Ecclesiastes 5:10–20*

He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God.

For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**

*Psalm 119:9–16*

P How can a young man keep his way pure?

**C By guarding it according to your word.**

P With my whole heart I seek you;

**C let me not wander from your commandments!**

P I have stored up your word in my heart,

**C that I might not sin against you.**

P Blessèd are you, O LORD;

**C teach me your statutes!**

P With my lips I declare

**C all the just decrees of your mouth.**

P In the way of your testimonies I delight

**C as much as in all riches.**

P I will meditate on your precepts

**C and fix my eyes on your ways.**

P I will delight in your statutes;

**C I will not forget your word.**

**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.**



## Epistle

*Hebrews 4:1–13*

Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest,’” although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” And again in this passage he said, “They shall not enter my rest.”

Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.”

For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of

marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### Alleluia and Verse



☛ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

*Mark 10:23–31*

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



☛ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!”

And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said,

“Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, 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.

Sermon Hymn: "Seek Ye First"

LSB 712



1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God, And His  
2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you, Seek and  
3 Man does not live by bread a - lone, But by



right - teous - ness. And all these things shall be  
ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be  
ev - 'ry word That pro - ceeds from the



add - ed un - to you! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
o - pened un - to you, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
mouth of the Lord, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

## Sermon

## 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 -



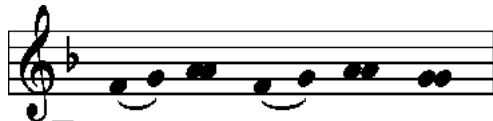
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

## Prayer of the Church

**Those we remember in our Prayers:** Louis & Eyvonne, Beth, Donna, Lavonne, Eric, Robin, Cynthia, Lillian, Edward, Brennen, Charles, Ed, William, Kathy, Frank, Fred, Erin, Charlie, Maddie, George, Wendy Jo, Andrea, Dennis, Connie, Nancy, Janine, Shari, Guy, & Geraldine.

## + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

### Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.



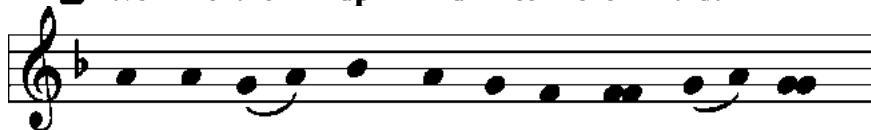
**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



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



**P** Let us give thanks un - to 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 saying:

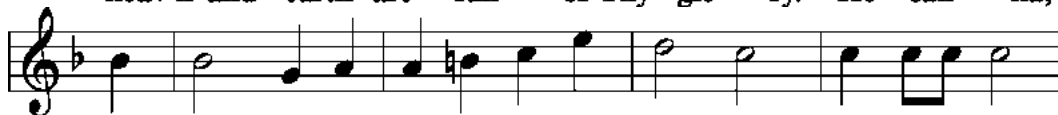
## Sanctus



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



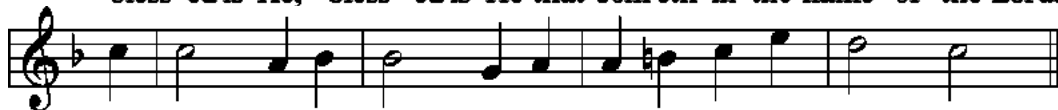
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



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

P 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.



**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## 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."

## Pax Domini



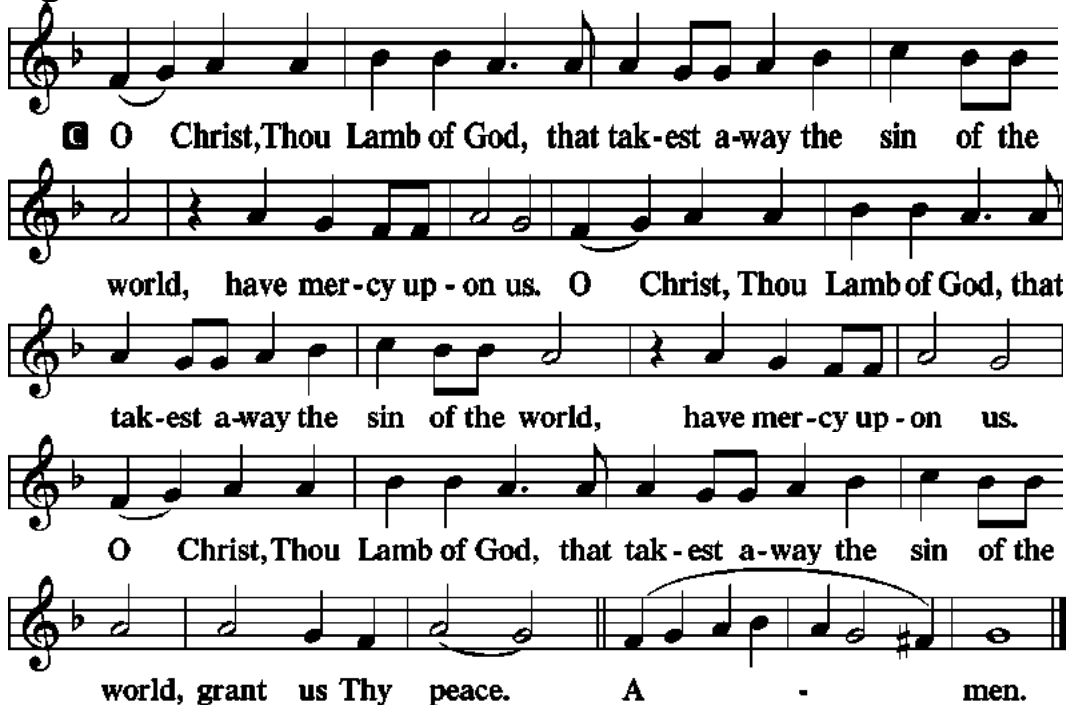
**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.



# Agnus Dei

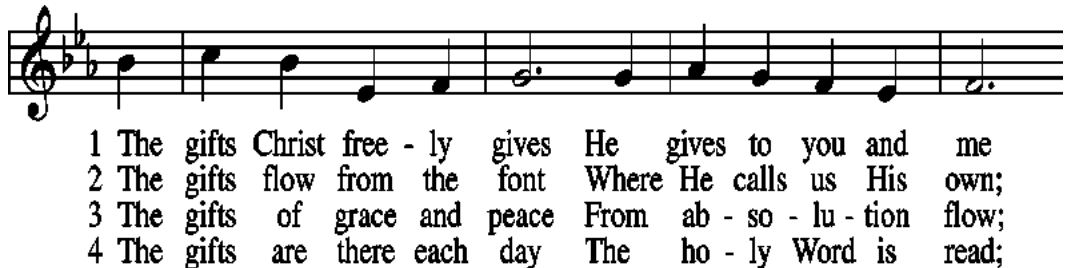


□ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

## Distribution

### Distribution Hymns: "The Gifts Christ Freely Gives"

LSB 602



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



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



Saints blest with these rich gifts Are chil - dren who pro - claim  
Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word;  
For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there;  
Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life,

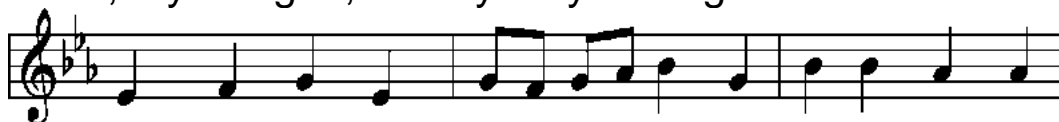


That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.  
The tri - une God Him - self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.  
The Lord of mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest care.  
Re - stor - ing and re - fresh - ing Them for this world's strife.

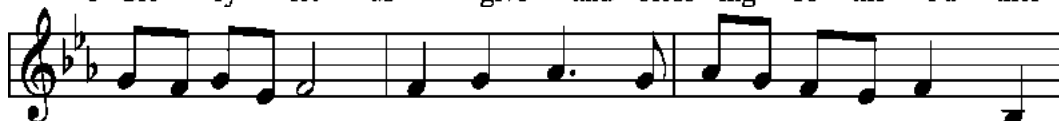
- 5 The gifts are in the feast, gifts far more than we see;  
Beneath the bread and wine is food from Calvary.  
The body and the blood remove our ev'ry sin;  
We leave His presence in his peace, renewed again.
- 6 All glory to the One who lavishes such love;  
The triune God in love assures our life 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!

“Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling”

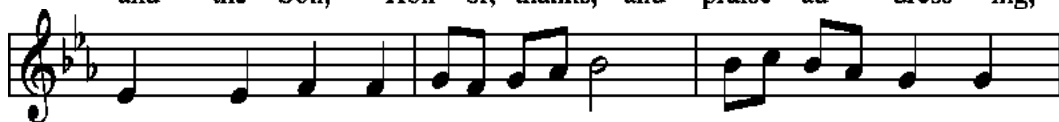
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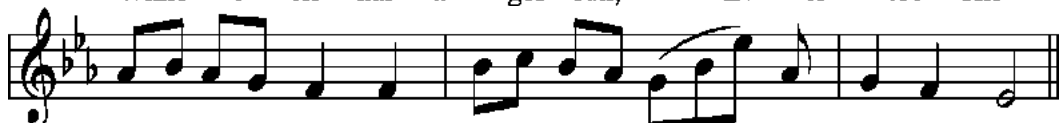
1 Now, my tongue, the mys - t'ry tell - ing Of the glo - rious  
 2 Giv'n for us, and con - de - scend - ing To be born for  
 3 That last night at sup - per ly - ing Mid the Twelve, His  
 4 Word made flesh, the bread He tak - eth, By His word His  
 5 Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing To the Fa - ther



bod - y sing, And the blood, all price ex - cel - ling,  
 us be - low, He with us in con - verse blend - ing  
 cho - sen band, Je - sus, with the Law com - ply - ing,  
 flesh to be; Wine His sa - cred blood He mak - eth,  
 and the Son, Hon - or, thanks, and praise ad - dress - ing,




Which the Gen - tiles' Lord and King, Once on earth a -  
 Dwelt, the seed of truth to sow, Till He closed with  
 Keeps the feast its rites de - mand; Then, more pre - cious  
 Though the sens - es fail to see; Faith a - lone the  
 While e - ter - nal a - ges run; Ev - er too His



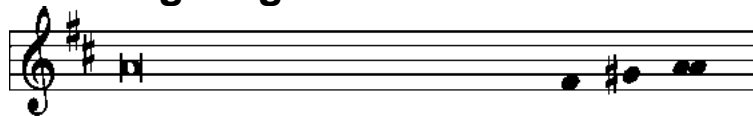
mong us dwell - ing, Shed for this world's ran - som - ing.  
 won - drous end - ing His most pa - tient life of woe.  
 food sup - ply - ing, Gives Him - self with His own hand.  
 true heart wak - eth To be - hold the mys - ter - y.  
 love con - fess - ing Who from both with both is One.

## Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord-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 without end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving



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

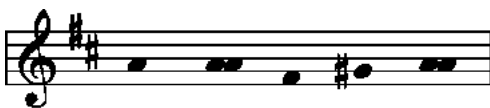


**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**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 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.

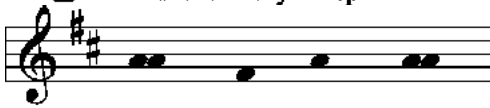
## Salutation and Benedicamus



**P** The Lord be with you.



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

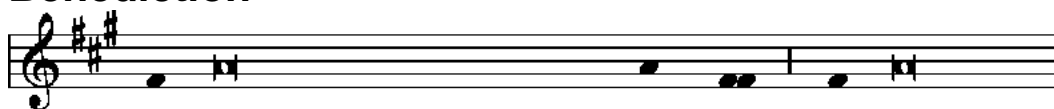


**A** Bless we the Lord.

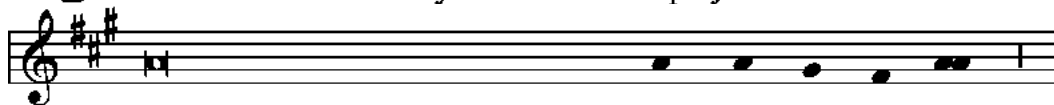


**C** Thanks be to God.

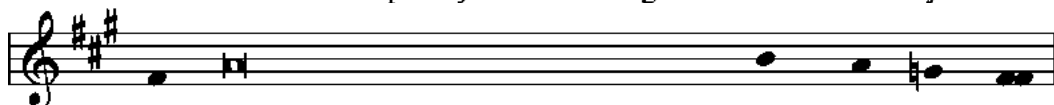
## Benediction



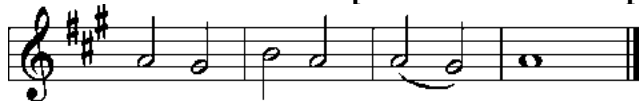
☐ The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



☑ A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Closing Hymn: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

LSB 918



1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this  
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing  
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;  
stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar  
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,



Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,  
Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,  
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,



bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no  
strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and  
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to



more; Feed me till I want no more.  
shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.  
Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

## NEWS & NOTES

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER...** After the bell has rung, we observe a time of silence to center ourselves for worship and for the playing of the Voluntary.

**VOLUNTARIES...** The Voluntaries throughout October are based on hymn in LSB authored by Martin Luther, who wrote the words and sometimes composed the tune also. Besides being a biblical scholar and theologian, Luther was a talented musician.

**FREE TO A GOOD HOME...** We still have a large stack of old hymnals downstairs, on the top of the bookshelf. If you would like one, please help yourself.

**Devotions this week:** keep your bulletin from today and read and then pray as the Lord moves you. Monday: The Old Testament (or 1st reading), Tuesday: The Psalm, Wednesday: The Epistle (or Second Reading), Thursday: The Gospel Reading, Friday: The Prayer of the Day, and Saturday: The lessons for the coming Sunday, The Twenty-second S. a. Pentecost: Jer. 31:7-9, Psalm 126, Heb. 7:23-28, Mark 10:46-52.



## DAILY LECTIONARY

This outline is a devotional reading plan that covers the entire Sacred Scriptures each year. The selections are based on ancient models and are generally in harmony with the liturgical church year. The average reading is three chapters daily. A seasonal canticle is assigned for each month and is scheduled to replace the psalm on the first and last days of the month. All of the psalms are read twice a year.

<b>October 17</b>	Deut. 15:19-16:22, Matt. 13:44-58
<b>October 18</b>	Deut. 17:1-20, Matt. 14:1-21
<b>October 19</b>	Deut. 18:1-22, Matt. 14:22-36
<b>October 20</b>	Deut. 19:1-20, Matt. 15:1-20
<b>October 21</b>	Deut. 20:1-20, Matt. 15:21-39
<b>October 22</b>	Deut. 21:1-23, 22:1-24:9, Matt. 16:1-12
<b>October 23</b>	Deut. 24:10-25:10, Matt. 16:13-28

## Those in His Service

**Elder on Call:** Greg Skinner  
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**Usher:** Jim & Sue Kesick



## FULFILLING OUR MISSION, HERE IS OUR CONGREGATIONAL ACTION PLAN...

*Guided by the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament, we will respond:*

- **Spiritually**, by our study of Scripture and prayer as we participate in the work of the Lord.
- **Inwardly**, by inviting all our members to be faithful in worship.
- **Outwardly**, by sharing Christ with those who don't know the LORD and His mission or our Congregation.
- **Sacrificially**, by giving not only of our treasure, but also our time and talent, so that His light shines through us to draw His People to Him