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PRELUDE

ENTRANCE RITE

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.

Amen.

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Hear this good news:

We have peace with God through ✠ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

Amen.

*GATHERING SONG — THE CHURCH OF CHRIST, IN EVERY AGE ELW No. 729

*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

*GLORIA

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Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

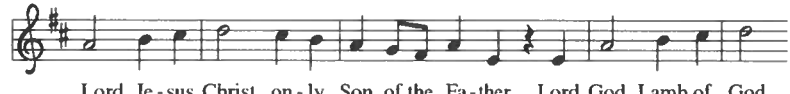
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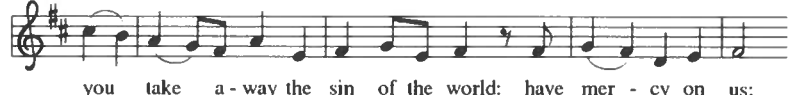
Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



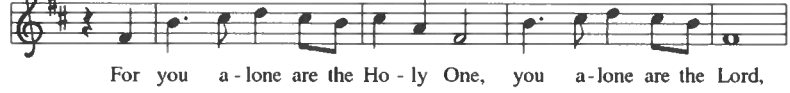
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



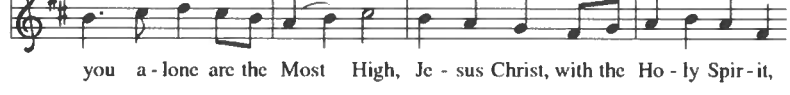
you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



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.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration
of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance,
help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 5:1-7

A Reading from Isaiah.

- ¹ I will sing for my beloved
my love song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.
- ² He dug it and cleared it of stones
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded rotten grapes.
- ³ And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah, judge between me
and my vineyard.
- ⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield rotten grapes?
- ⁵ And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.
- ⁶ I will make it a wasteland;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.
- ⁷ For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah
are his cherished garden;
he expected justice but saw bloodshed;
righteousness
but heard a cry!

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Silence for reflection follows the reading.

PSALM – SUNG RESPONSIVELY

PSALM 80:7-15

*The Cantor introduces the refrain which is repeated by the Assembly.
All join in repeating the Refrain where indicated.*



- ⁷ Restore us, O | God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we | shall be saved.
- ⁸ **You have brought a vine | out of Egypt;**
you cast out the nations and | planted it.
- ⁹ You cleared the | ground for it;
it took root and | filled the land.
- ¹⁰ **The mountains were covered | by its shadow**
and the towering cedar trees | by its boughs. R
- ¹¹ You stretched out its tendrils | to the sea
and its branches | to the river.
- ¹² **Why have you broken | down its wall,**
so that all who pass by pluck | off its grapes?
- ¹³ The wild boar of the forest has | ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have | grazed upon it.
- ¹⁴ **Turn now, O | God of hosts,**
look | down from heaven;
- ¹⁵ behold and | tend this vine;
preserve what your right | hand has planted. **R**

SECOND READING

PHILIPPIANS 3:4B-14

A reading from Philippians.

[Paul writes:] ^{4b} If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one

that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Word of God, word of life.

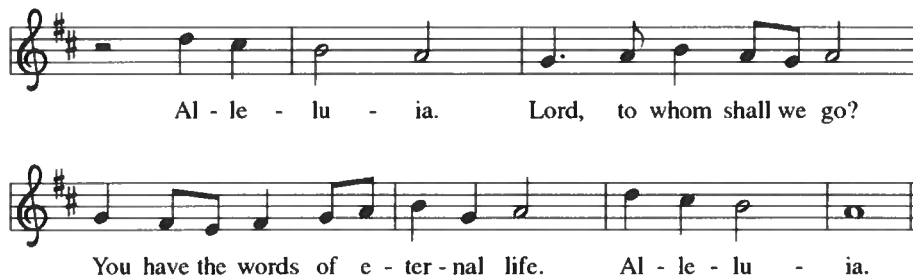
Thanks be to God.

Silence for reflection follows the reading.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

The Cantor introduces the Gospel Acclamation which is repeated by the Assembly.

The verse is sung by the Cantor. All repeat the Acclamation following the verse.



Alleluia. Jesus says, I chose you and ap-¹ pointed you to go and bear fruit¹ that will last. *Alleluia.* (John 15:16)

***GOSPEL READING**

MATTHEW 21:22-46

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ³³ “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. ³⁴ When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵ But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶ Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷ Then he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ ³⁹ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰ Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those

tenants?”⁴¹ They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

⁴² Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes”?

⁴³ “Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruits. ⁴⁴ The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

THE REV. TIM SCHOLL

Silence for reflection follows the sermon

*HYMN OF THE DAY — MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN vv. 1-4 ELW No. 343

*APOSTLES’ CREED ELW p. 105

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After “Hear us, O God,” congregation responds, “Your mercy is great.”

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.
During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread,
wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward.*

*HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION



This is Hymn No. 188 from *Evangelica Lutheran Worship*

Text: Psalm 51:11-13

Music: J. A. Freylinghausen (1670-1739), adapted

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of creation,

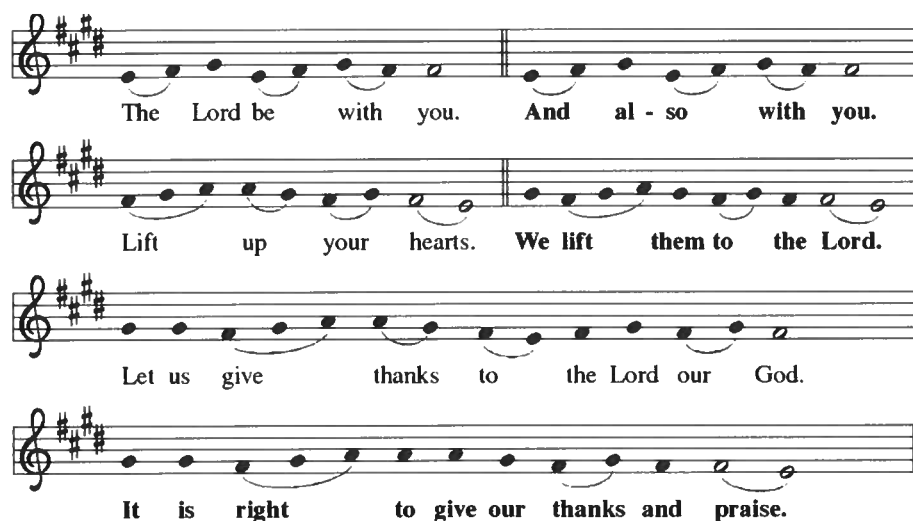
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in
service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.

Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

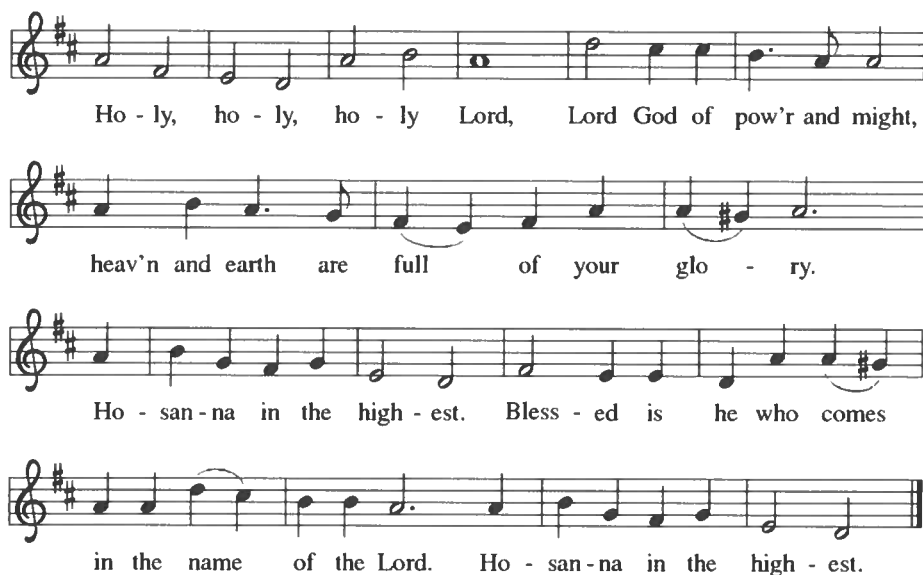
All who are baptized and believe with us that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to communion. Ushers will assist with the communion. Please pick up an empty cup from the small table at the altar rail to receive the wine. Baskets will be placed on either side to dispose of your cup. Individual communion kits will be available from the ushers for those who prefer them. We serve low-gluten bread. If you are unable to come to the Communion rail, please inform an usher and the ministers will bring Communion to you in your pew.

*DIALOGUE



*PREFACE

*SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The presiding minister continues, using one of the following or another appropriate form.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.

You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

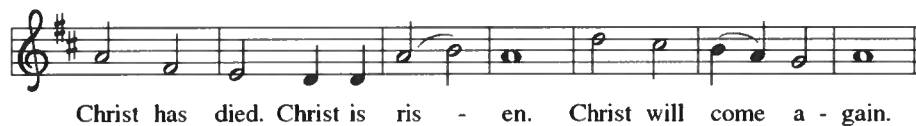
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



*THE LORD'S PRAYER

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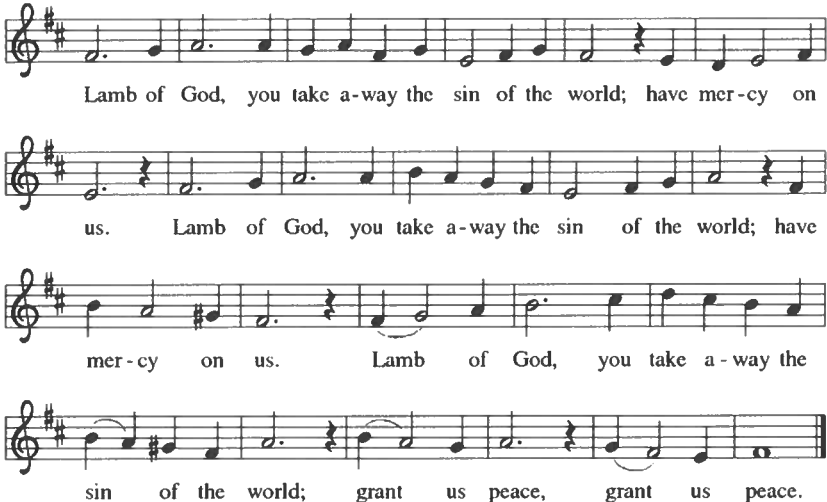
Presider

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for
you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,
with thanksgiving.

AGNUS DEI



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, grant us peace.

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION — BREAD OF LIFE, OUR HOST AND MEAL ELW No. 464

*TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen
you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Sustaining God,

with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your
Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your
liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

*BENEDICTION

The God of love

draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.

Amen.

The God of hope

grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.

Amen.

The God of grace
✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

*SENDING HYMN — THINE THE AMEN

ELW NO. 826

*DISMISSAL

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
Thanks be to God.

*POSTLUDE

*You are invited to remain for the postlude that concludes our worship.
If you do not wish to stay, please be respectful of those who are listening.*

PRAYER LIST

Heal your people, O God. Look with compassion on immigrants, exiles, and all who are afraid or feel lost. Give rest to those who are weary, comfort to those who are grieving, and recovery to those who are ill. We especially pray for: John, Greg, Tom Sr., Kylah, Katie, Janet, Karl, Debbie, Laura, Paula, Alex, Jim, Kendra, Gene, Dennis, Janet, Libby, JoAnn, Ron, Carl and all those whom we now name before you. Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.

If you would like to have a family member or friends name added to the list, please be sure to get their permission before having their name(s) added. Names will be listed for a month and removed. You can then request to have them added again for continued prayers. Thank you.

SERVING YOU TODAY

The assisting minister for the service is **Greg Hull**. The reader for the service is **Tim Gardner**. The technology minister is **Nate Sears**. All are sharing service on the altar guild.

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