

#### LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR

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# Lutheran Church of Our Savior

Divine Service
Sundays
10:00 a.m.

5825 Bollinger Road, Cupertino, California



"And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." - Acts 2:42

# Lutheran Church of Our Savior

*GUESTS!* Welcome! We're grateful for your presence and sincerely hope that you will find our *liturgical service* to be a blessing as it ties us to the church of past, the church in heaven, and to the church of the present – to whom it bears the blessings of God's Word and Sacraments today.

## HOLY COMMUNION and GUESTS (both returning and first-time)...



All communicants are to have been instructed in and confess the articles of faith to which we adhere as a member congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). Therefore, **guests** (both returning and first-time) who—prior to the service—inform a pastor that they are communicant members-in-good-standing of a congregation in communion fellowship with those of The LCMS will be invited to commune. We thank guests who are not communicants of sister congregations for honoring our convictions and remaining in the pew

during communion distribution. We sincerely desire that you commune with us. To that end, we urge you to ask a pastor about the class which would prepare you to receive communion in congregations of The LCMS. *All communicants are encouraged to review* Christian Questions with Their Answers in the hymnal, pp. 329-330.

**COMMUNION** in the PEW... If, due to health issues, you're unable to commune at the altar, be sure to indicate to an usher before the service your desire to be communed in the pew.

## In the Holy Sacraments, We Share the Glory of the Cross of Christ Summary of Scripture Lessons for the Day

Jesus catechizes His disciples in the way of the cross, revealing that He will be condemned and put to death "and after three days he will rise" (Mark 10:33–34). But the Twelve do not understand. Instead, they argue among themselves about who will be the greatest, with James and John requesting the places of honor on either side of Jesus in His glory. However, Jesus has come to make Himself the "slave of all" and "to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:43–45). He shares the true glory of His cross with all who are baptized with His Baptism and with those who drink His cup of salvation, the New Testament in His blood (Mark 10:39). By these Holy Sacraments, the Lord makes Himself known to all His people, forgiving their sins "from the least of them to the greatest" (Jer. 31:33–34). Though He is the very Son of God, "he learned obedience through what he suffered" and so became our great High Priest, that we may enter His glory by the way of His sacrifice (Heb. 5:8–10).

## + DIVINE SERVICE +

## Setting One

#### **PRELUDE**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN # 604

- 1 I bind unto myself todayThe strong name of the TrinityBy invocation of the same,The Three in One and One in Three.
- 2 I bind this day to me forever,
  By pow'r of faith, Christ's incarnation,
  His Baptism in the Jordan River,
  His cross of death for my salvation,
  His bursting from the spiced tomb,
  His riding up the heav'nly way,
  His coming at the day of doom,
  I bind unto myself today.
- 3 I bind unto myself today
  The pow'r of God to hold and lead,
  His eye to watch, His might to stay,
  His ear to hearken to my need,
  The wisdom of my God to teach,
  His hand to guide, His shield to ward,
  The Word of God to give me speech,
  His heav'nly host to be my guard.
- 4 Against the demon snares of sin,
  The vice that gives temptation force,
  The natural lusts that war within,
  The hostile foes that mar my course;
  Or few or many, far or nigh,
  In ev'ry place and in all hours,
  Against their fierce hostility,
  I bind to me those holy pow'rs.
- △ 5 I bind unto myself the name,
   The strong name of the Trinity
   By invocation of the same,
   The Three in One and One in Three,
   Of whom all nature has creation,
   Eternal Father, Spirit, Word.
   Praise to the Lord of my salvation;
   Salvation is of Christ the Lord!

INVOCATION Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

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

EXHORTATION 1 John 1:8-9

- **P** *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*
- 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, our sins, and His promise of Absolution)

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

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

ABSOLUTION [John 20:19–23]

 $lue{P}$  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.

# The Service of the Word

#### INTROIT

Psalm 116:1-4, 8; antiphon: Psalm 43:1

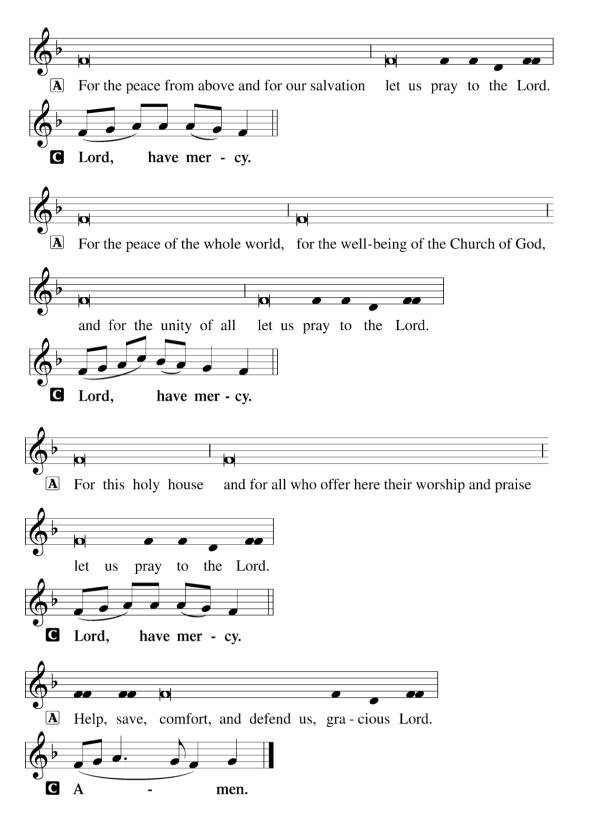


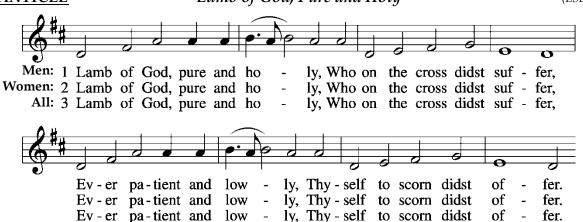
- P Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,\*
  from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!
- I love the LORD, because | he has heard\* my voice and my pleas for | mercy.
- P Because he inclined his | ear to me,\* therefore I will call on him as long | as I live.
- The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid | hold on me;\* I suffered distress and | anguish.
- Then I called on the name | of the LORD:\*
  "O LORD, I pray, deliv- | er my soul!"
- For you have delivered my | soul from death,\*
  my eyes from tears, my feet from | stumbling.
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- P Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,\*
  from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!

## **<u>KYRIE</u>** ~ Lord, Have Mercy

Mark 10:47









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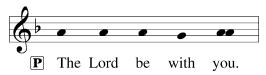
us, Else had de-spair reigned o'er us: us, Else had de-spair reigned o'er us: us, Else had de-spair reigned o'er us:



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#### **SALUTATION**





## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## <u>READINGS OF HOLY SCRIPTURE</u> (printed on back cover of service folder)

After first & second readings: **P** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

## *Old Testament:* Jeremiah 31:31–34

<sup>31</sup>"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, <sup>32</sup>not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

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

Gradual: Heb. 12:2

P [O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross,
despis- | ing the shame,\*
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

## *Epistle:* Hebrews 5:1–10

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. <sup>3</sup>Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you";

<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,

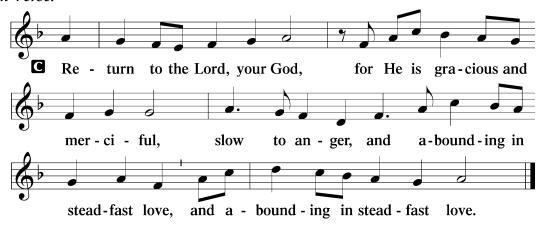
"You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. <sup>9</sup>And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

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



#### Lenten Verse:



Holy Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

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



<sup>32</sup>And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, <sup>33</sup>saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. <sup>34</sup>And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

<sup>35</sup>And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" <sup>39</sup>And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." <sup>41</sup>And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. <sup>42</sup>And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise

authority over them. <sup>43</sup>But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

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



#### THE CREED ~ Nicene Creed

■ 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.

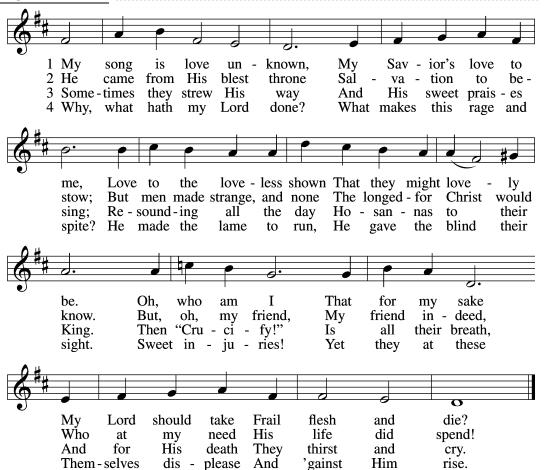
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

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.



- 5 They rise and needs will have
  My dear Lord made away;
  A murderer they save,
  The Prince of Life they slay.
  Yet cheerful He To suff'ring goes
  That He His foes From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home
  My Lord on earth might have;
  In death no friendly tomb
  But what a stranger gave.
  What may I say? Heav'n was His home
  But mine the tomb Wherein He lay.
- 7 Here might I stay and sing,
  No story so divine!
  Never was love, dear King,
  Never was grief like Thine.
  This is my friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend!

#### **SERMON**

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition: P "LORD, in your mercy," or P "Let us pray to the LORD"

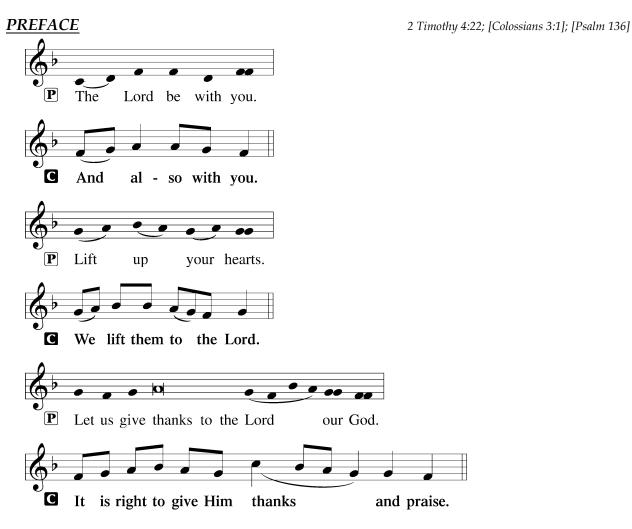
C "Hear our prayer!" C "LORD, have mercy."

# **OFFERING & OFFERTORY** Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19 What shall I for all His ben-e-fits to ren-der to the Lord I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing me? and will on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salcall 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.

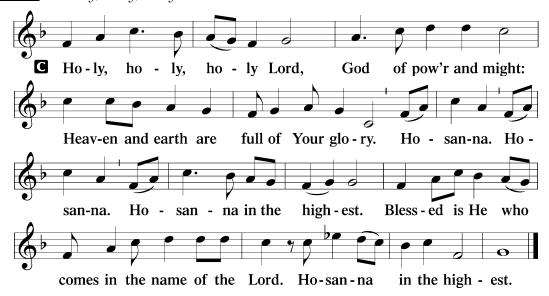
# The Service of Holy Communion

- + Guests (both returning and first-time), please refer to "Holy Communion and Guests" on page two.
- ← Communicants, to receive the Body of Christ in your hand, extend your hand. To receive our Lord's Blood from either the individual glass or the Common Cup, extend your open hand when the cup you prefer is offered.



## PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9–13* 

(\*notes brief pause as bell tone rings, after which the Prayer continues)

\*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.

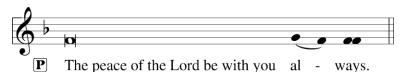
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.\*

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 ⅓ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

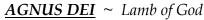
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## *PAX DOMINI* ~ The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19



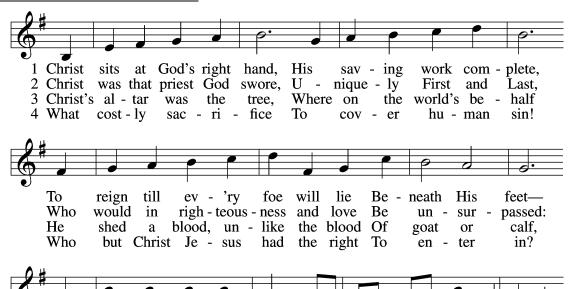




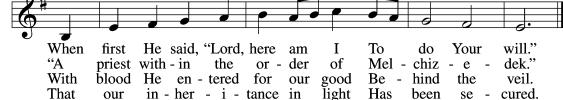
John 1:29



#### FIRST DISTRIBUTION HYMN.



All Fa - ther planned, The ful - fill, the Son sought to "A priest for - ev - er - more," An oath God would not break, To seal God's guar - an - tee Of that can - not fail; grace His blood, that sprin-kled price, might be So as - sured we



- 5 Then let us now draw near,
  Washed in that precious flood
  And enter the Most Holy Place
  By Jesus' blood.
  From hearts that are sincere,
  Let tongues our hope profess,
  And trust anew God's faithful grace
  That we confess.
- △ 6 All praise to Christ we bring,
   Our Lord who intercedes,
   Our great High Priest enthroned above
   Who knows our needs;
   And to the Father sing
   Our songs of thankful praise,
   Who with the Spirit reigns in love
   For endless days.



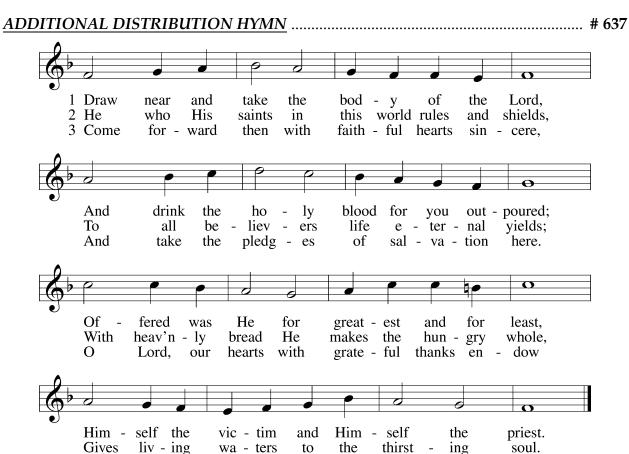
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VOCAL ENSEMBLE (LSB #429)

1 We sing the praise of Him who died,Of Him who died upon the cross.The sinner's hope let all deride;For this we count the world but loss.

- 2 Inscribed upon the cross we see In shining letters, "God is love." He bears our sins upon the tree; He brings us mercy from above.
- 3 The cross! It takes our guilt away; It holds the fainting spirit up; It cheers with hope the gloomy day And sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.
- 4 It makes the coward spirit brave And nerves the feeble arm for fight; It takes the terror from the grave And gilds the bed of death with light;
- 5 The balm of life, the cure of woe, The measure and the pledge of love, The sinner's refuge here below, The angels' theme in heav'n above.
- 6 To Christ, who won for sinners grace By bitter grief and anguish sore, Be praise from all the ransomed race Forever and forevermore.

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Luke 2:29–32



## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

- P O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

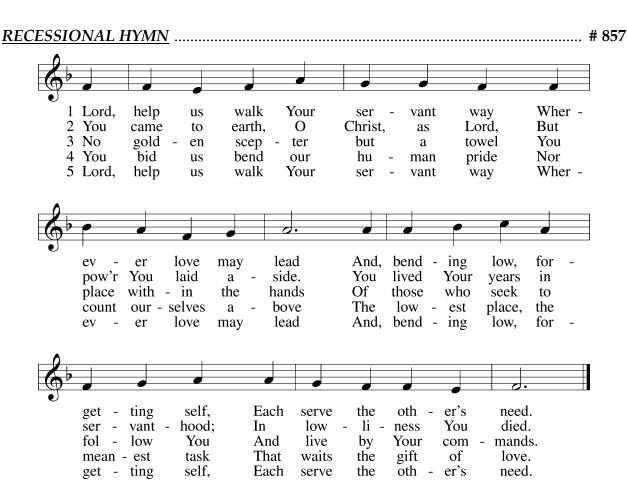
**BENEDICTION**Numbers 6:24–26

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.



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#### **POSTLUDE**

## ~ Announcements ~

## ♦ Sunday Christian Education Classes ♦

Adult, Youth, and Children's Christian Education Classes are offered each Sunday. Christian Education classes begin at 8:30 a.m. See below for Sunday morning offerings...

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> ... PK-Grade 5 – Meet in designated classrooms. Parents please pick up children by 9:35 a.m. Sunday School includes instruction in the Holy Scripture and choral participation in Christian hymnody and song.

<u>YOUTH CLASS</u> ... *Grade 6-High School* – Series concludes next week: "Through the Church the Song Goes On: Learning the Liturgy of the Lutheran Church."

<u>ADULT CLASS</u> ... Series concludes next week: "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now: Lessons on the Passion of Christ." Class meets in Parish Hall.

COFFEE AND DONUTS in the Courtyard before and after Sunday worship services.

	THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE
Tue:	7:30 pm — <b>Board of Directors</b> – Meets in Fireside Rm
Wed:	9:00 am — LCOS Homeschool Together Day – Meets until 3:00 p.m.
	10:00 am — <b>Lenten Midweek Service V</b> – Service of Prayer & Preaching
	6:00 pm — Catechism
	6:15 pm — <b>Lenten Soup Supper</b> – Parish Hall ( <i>Served until 7:15 p.m.</i> )
	7:30 pm — <b>Lenten Midweek Service V</b> – Service of Prayer & Preaching
Thu:	10:30 am - All Saints Bible Study - Meets in Fireside Rm
Sun:	8:30 am — <b>Christian Education</b> (See above for class meeting locations)
	10:00 am - Palm Sunday Divine Service
	11:45 am — Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal

## "BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD" ...

- ♦ *For the HARD-OF-HEARING* ... Hearing-assistance devices available from the ushers. [Those with pacemakers should check with physician before using devices]. Additionally,
- ◆ *For CHILDREN* ... A room from which the service can both be seen and heard is in the back of the sanctuary for children who may need it during the service.

**PRIVATE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION** ... If you'd like to schedule an appointment for private (individual) confession and absolution, please speak with one of the pastors.

## LCOS Lenten Midweek Series, 2024

- ◆ Let at Last Thine Angels Come ◆ Preparing to Face Death with Certain Hope
- ♦ Feb 21 Jesus Has Destroyed the Power of Death
- ♦ Feb 28 Jesus Is Lord of Life and Master of Death
- ♦ Mar 6 Jesus Has Made Safe the Judgment
- ♦ Mar 13 Jesus Has Gone Before Us Through Death
- Mar 20 Jesus Has Prepared for Us Far Better



10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. ~ Service of Prayer & Preaching

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<u>LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS</u> ... Lenten Soup Suppers conclude this Wednesday, 6:15 p.m., Parish Hall. Willing to provide soup/casserole? Please sign up in Narthex/Courtyard.

<u>THANK YOU</u> ... Thank you for the prayers, cards, and Christian condolences to and for our family. – *Jan Williams and Family* 

<u>CHURCH DIRECTORY 2024</u> ... Sign up in the Courtyard for photos to appear in the 2024 LCOS Church Pictorial Directory. Member photos to be taken **April 12 and 13** at LCOS.

<u>PORTALS OF PRAYER</u> ... The latest installment of the devotional *Portals of Prayer* (published by Concordia Publishing House) is now available on the narthex cart. A new (medium) size is offered. Take your household's copy home today.

<u>EASTER LILIES</u> ... If you'd like to provide a lily to adorn the chancel during for the festivities of Easter, please sign up in the narthex. Cost: \$10/ea. Thank you.

<u>SUBSTITUTE ORGANIST</u> ... A thank you to Walter Mitby who serves today as the substitute organist.

<u>PREPARING FOR SUNDAY MORNING</u> ... In preparation for next Sunday morn... Occasion: Palm Sunday; Lessons: Zechariah 9:9-12; Philippians 2:5-11; John 12:12-19, 20-43; Hymn of the Day: 438, "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth."

SERVING WEEK OF:	Mar 17	Mar 24
Ushers	D. Hall, T. Lung, A. Sacarelos	J. Bestul, J. Kiiski, N. Mogor
	Weds: D. Bunsey, M. McThrow, I. Bestul	Thurs: D. Mitby, J. Cox, D. Delaney
		Fri: D. Carlson, L. Ristow, J. Bestul
		Sat. T. Marting, M. Stephens, D. Bestul
Acolyte	Jonah Pries	Crucifer T.B.D.
		Torchbearers Jacob Bestul, Andres Sacarelos
Altar Guild	Beverly Bach, Denise Hankes	Emily Debner, Yvette Lanza
		Thurs: Heidi Carlson, Mary Carlson
Communion Music	Emily Debner	Walter Mitby
Greeters	Terence & Elaine Lung	Eunice Armstrong
Counters	Team 3	Team 4