

*The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food
in due season.*

Psalm 145:15, NRSV



The Order of Worship

Pre-Service Music & Greeting

Opening Hymn

“While Yet the Morn is Breaking”

Christian Worship 585

The Invocation

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

The Confession of Sins

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of the Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

Lord have Mercy

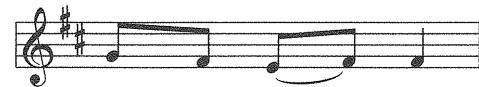
P: Jesus lived for us. Jesus died for us. Jesus rose victorious from the grave. Through his precious work and gracious intercession, we know God the Father will hear and answer us for our good. With this confidence, we pray:

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer — cy.

P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer — cy.

P: For the well-being of your holy church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise; hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer — cy.

P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.



C: A — — men!

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise;



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glor- ious is your name in

all the earth. Al—might—y God, mer- ci- ful Fa—ther,

you crown our life with your love. You take a- way our sin;

you com — fort our spir—it; you make us pure and

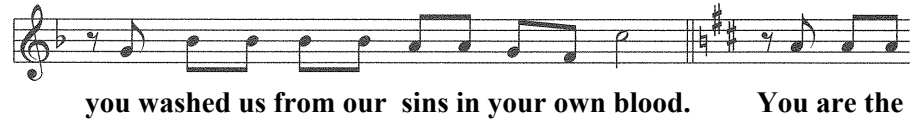
Ho—ly in your sight. You did not spare your on— ly Son,

but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,

how glor—ious is your name in all the earth.

O Son of God, e—ter—nal Word of the Fa—ther,

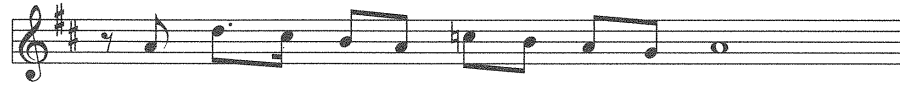
you came to live with us; you made your Fa—ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the



King of glo—ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,



how glor—ious is your name in all the earth.

Prayer of the Day

P: O gracious and compassionate Lord, you open your hand and satisfy the needs of every living thing. This was the psalmist's confidence, and it is ours. We have never had a need to which you did not respond. Great or insignificant, nothing escapes your attention. Teach us to respond to these gifts with thanksgiving and joyful gratitude. Teach us contentment, as well, because whatever you give is just what we need, at just the right time, and in just the right proportion. Continue to keep us in your care until we join you in heaven. There we will praise you for your goodness and mercy, for all eternity.



C: A — — men!

The Lessons from God's Word

"Goodness and mercy will follow me all my life!"

Old Testament

1 Kings 17:1-6

¹Elijah from Tishbe, one of the settlers in Gilead, said to Ahab, "As surely as the LORD lives, the God of Israel before whom I

stand, there will be no dew or rain during the coming years, except at my word.”

²Then the word of the LORD came to him: ³“Leave this place and turn east. Hide yourself by the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan. ⁴You will drink from the stream, and I will command the ravens to provide for you there.”

⁵So Elijah went and did just as the LORD had said. He lived in the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan. ⁶The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and in the evening, and he drank from the stream.

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 136

(the congregation will read responsively)

P: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.

C: For his mercy endures forever.

P: Give thanks to the God of gods.

C: For his mercy endures forever.

P: Give thanks to the Lord of lords.

C: For his mercy endures forever.

P: To him who alone does great wonders;

To him who by his understanding made the heavens,

To him to who spread out the earth on the waters.

To him to who made the great lights—the sun to rule by day;
the moon and stars to rule by night.

C: For his mercy endures forever.

P: Who remembered us in our low condition, and tore us out of the hands of our oppressors, who gives food to all living creatures.

C: For his mercy endures forever.

P: Give thanks to the God of the heavens.

C: For his mercy endures forever.

Epistle

Ephesians 1:3–8

⁸Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

⁴He did this when he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world, so that we would be holy and blameless in his sight. In love ⁵he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ. He did this in accordance with the good purpose of his will, ⁶and for the praise of his glorious grace, which he has graciously given us in the one he loves.

⁷In him we also have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in keeping with the riches of his grace, ⁸which he lavished on us in all wisdom and insight.

Children's Message

"God's Lavished Gifts"

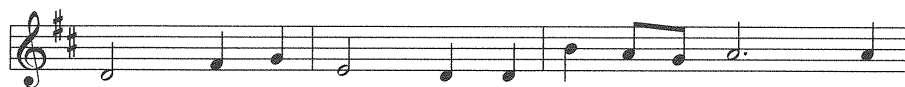
Verse of the Day

P: I will exalt you, my God, the King, and I will bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you, and I will praise you name forever and ever. Great is the LORD and worthy of great praise, and there are no limits to the extent of his greatness. The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and great in mercy. The LORD is good to all. His compassion extends over all he has made.

Alleluia!



C: Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia!



These words are writ — ten that we may be—lieve that



Je—sus is the Christ, the Son — of God.



Al—le— lu— ia! Al—le— lu— ia! Al—le— lu— ia!

The Gospel

Matthew 14:13–21

¹³When Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place to be alone. When the crowds heard this, they followed him on foot from the towns.

¹⁴When Jesus got out of the boat, he saw a large crowd. He had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵When evening came, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place and the hour is already late. Send the crowds away, so that they can go into the villages and buy food for themselves.”

¹⁶But Jesus said to them, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”

¹⁷They told him, “We have here only five loaves and two fish.”

¹⁸“Bring them here to me,” he replied. ¹⁹Then he instructed the people to sit down on the grass. He took the five loaves and the two fish. After looking up to heaven, he blessed them. He broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples. The disciples gave the food to the people. ²⁰They all ate and were filled. They picked up twelve basketfuls of what was left over from the broken pieces.

²¹Those who ate were about five thousand men, not even counting women and children.

P: This is the Word of our God!



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day

“O God, My Faithful God”
Christian Worship 459

Sermon

Exodus 32:15-29

“God Provides Everything We Need!”

Without us ever deserving it
Because of his undeserved love

The Confession of Faith

(We join in the words of the Nicene Creed)

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father;
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

**On the third day he rose again in accordance
with the Scriptures;**

**He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is**

worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen!**

Pray, Praise, and Give Thanks!

Prayers for the Day

Special Prayers and Requests

Prayer for those receiving the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Prayer

(spoken with the pastor)

**C: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours now and forever. Amen!**

Hymn of Preparation

*"Draw Near and Take"
Christian Worship 309*

Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
Offered was he for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and himself the priest.

He that his saints in this world rules and shields

To all believers life eternal yields,
With heav'nly bread makes them that hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsty soul.

Come, forward, then, with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
Before your altar, Lord, your servants bow;
In this your feast of love be with us now.

The Sacrament

P: The Lord be with you.



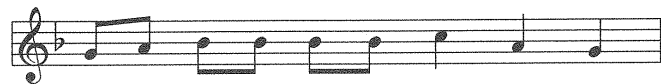
C: And al—so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: Give praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us with every needed blessing. He comforts us with his ever faithful promises and provides for our every need through his undeserved love. Through him have come salvation, power, the kingdom of our God, and the authority to rule over all things. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks, honor and glory for ever and ever.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Sanctus



C: Ho—ly, ho—ly, ho—ly, is the Lord of hosts;



The whole earth is full of your glo—ry.



You are my God, and I will ex—alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be—come my sal-



va—tion. Ho—ly, ho—ly, ho—ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo—ry.

The Words of Institution

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying:

“Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The Blessing of Peace

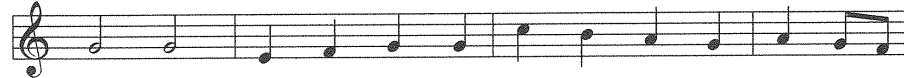
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A ——— men.

O Christ, Lamb of God

Agnus Dei



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a—way the sin of the



world; have mer—cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a—way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A ——— men.

The Congregation may be seated for the Distribution

The Lord's Supper is a Sacrament through which Jesus Christ our Savior strengthens our faith and forgives our sins. In it we receive His actual body and blood, as we receive the bread and the wine. If you have not communed with us before or if you are not familiar with our procedure, please do not come to the Lord's Table today. We also encourage you to speak with our pastor following the service. He will be happy to share with you the necessary preparations to receive our Savior's body and blood in a future service.

Our request comes out of love for you and concern for your spiritual well-being, so that you can receive the blessing our Lord wants you to receive.

Thanksgiving

Song of Thanksgiving (*Congregation rises and sings*)



Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu — ia!

Closing Prayer:

P: O dearest Jesus, how good are you are and how blessed you have made us. We have come burdened with our guilt, stained with sin, and humbled by our rebellion, and you have forgiven us. Through your gracious Word, together with your body and blood, you have declared all completely washed away. Make this good news the foundation for our life. When we daily struggle with temptation and sin, lead us to acknowledge our weakness and humbly confess our rebellion. Then reassure us we are completely washed clean for your sake. Make every blessing you secured by your death and resurrection our highest good, and the confidence of your never-failing presence. As we live in anticipation of life in heaven, be our comfort, our refuge, and our guide. Bless us, now and always, as we live in your love—our true, Triune and gracious God.



C: A ——— men.

The Benediction:

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you,

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

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



C: A — men. A ——— men. A ——— men.

Closing Hymn

“We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer”
Christian Worship 609

Silent Prayer

Announcements . . .

Today—*Welcome in Name of our gracious Savior, Jesus Christ!*
What a blessing we have received to be nourished with the Gospel in Word and Sacrament. It is this assurance of God's undeserved love which provides the confidence we need to put our complete trust in him. If you are visiting today, please sign the guest book or a guest card, and worship again, soon!

- Following the worship service there will be time for fellowship over a cup of coffee.
- Bible Class will begin at 11:00. Through Paul's inspired words we learn about God's plan for salvation which began in eternity and brings us to eternity.

Tuesday—Church Council Meeting at 7:00 pm. Committees will follow if needed.

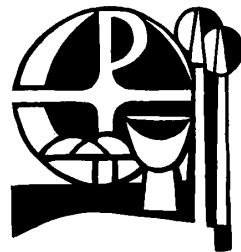
Friday—Office hours from 10:00 –2:30 pm.

Saturday—Cleaning: L. Schroeder

- Mowing beginning August 6th—L. Schroeder

Sunday, August 13th—**In Person Worship and Live Streaming at 9:30 am.** Elijah was ready to give up because the people refused to listen to him, and even threatened his life. God had a different plan for him, just as he does for us. When we realize who the Lord is, how he protects us, and how he even works through us, our fears are removed to serve confidently and boldly.

- Christian Education will focus on the incredible words of Romans 8 where Paul reveals his conviction and ours.





End of Summer Social

*Outdoor Worship Service Under the Oaks
Followed by a Family Barbeque, Games
and Ice Cream!*

August 27th at 10:30 am

For more information, please call or email
Pastor Proeber

Don't forget, check the sign-up sheets on the table in the back of the church. There are food items you can bring, and places to lend a hand—set up and clean up.

Also, use this opportunity to invite someone you know to come and enjoy the day with us.





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