

DIVINE SERVICE: Setting One
(Lutheran Service Book, pp. 151-166)

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HYMNS – LSB 905, 609, 618, 563

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Please observe a time of quiet meditation when the organ begins playing. You are encouraged to use the prayers on pp. 308-309 in LSB or any of the Psalms.

RINGING OF THE BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† THE PREPARATION †

OPENING HYMN *(we stand and sing)*

LSB 905

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

1 Come, Thou almighty King, Help us Thy Name to sing; Help us to praise; Father all-glorious,
O'er all victorious, Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

2 Come, Thou incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword; Our prayer attend. Come and Thy people bless,
And give Thy Word success, And let Thy righteousness On us descend.

3 Come, holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour!
Thou, who almighty art, Now rule in ev'ry heart, And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

(Trinity verse)

4 To Thee, great One in Three, Eternal praises be Hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty May we in glory see, And to eternity Love and adore.

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INTROIT *(spoken responsively)*

(Ps. 92:1-4; antiphon: Ps. 92:5)

Pastor: How great are Your works, O Lord! Your thoughts are very deep!

**Congregation: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;**

to declare Your steadfast love in the morning,
and Your faithfulness by night,

**to the music of the lute and the harp,
to the melody of the lyre.**

For You, O Lord, have made me glad by Your work;
at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.

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.

How great are Your works, O Lord! Your thoughts are very deep!

KYRIE *(responses are sung)* pp. 152-153

HYMN OF PRAISE p. 155

🎵 “This is the feast of victory for our God . . .”

COLLECT OF THE DAY *(prayed in unison)*

O God, from whom all good proceeds, grant to us, Your humble servants, Your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on the things that are right and, by Your merciful guiding, accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. *(please be seated)*

† THE WORD †

THE OLD TESTAMENT: Ezekiel 33:7-9

“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from My mouth, you shall give them warning from Me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.”

(ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL

P: Fear the Lord, you His saints, for those who fear Him lack nothing!

C: Many are the afflictions of the righteous but the Lord delivers Him out of them all.

THE EPISTLE: Romans 13:1-10

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God’s servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God’s wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God’s wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

(ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE (*we stand and sing*) p. 156

♪ “Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go ...”

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 18:1-20

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Matthew, the 18th chapter.

C: ♪ Glory to You, O Lord.

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” ²And calling to Him a child, He put him in the midst of them ³and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

⁵Whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me, ⁶but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

⁷Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

¹⁰See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven. ¹¹For the Son of Man came to save the lost. ¹²What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of My Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

¹⁵“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in My name, there am I among them.” (ESV)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise to You, O Christ.

“Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”

1 Jesus sinners doth receive; Oh, may all this saying ponder Who in sin's delusions live
And from God and heaven wander! Here is hope for all who grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.

2 We deserve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich grace revealing, Pardon, peace, and life proclaim;
Here our ills have perfect healing. Firmly in these words believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.

3 Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shepherd e'er forsaketh; Weary souls that lost their way
Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh In His arms that they may live: Jesus sinners doth receive.

4 I, a sinner, come to Thee With a penitent confession. Savior, mercy show to me;
Grant for all my sins remission. Let these words my soul relieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.

5 Oh, how blest it is to know: Were as scarlet my transgression, It shall be as white as snow
By Thy blood and bitter passion: For these words I now believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.

6 Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted. Christ hath purchased my release
And my ev'ry sin remitted. Naught remains my soul to grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.

7 Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven; And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven. Dying, still to Him I cleave: Jesus sinners doth receive.

SERMON

† OUR RESPONSE †

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING *(please be seated)*

OFFERTORY *(we stand and sing)* pp. 159 -160

🎵 “What shall I render to the Lord ...”

† THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION †

(pp. 160 ff. in the Lutheran Service Book)

If you have not communed at St. John's before, please speak with Pastor before communing here for the first time.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *(please be seated)*

LSB 618

“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”

1. I come, O Savior, to Thy Table,
For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able
To satisfy and make me whole:

3. Unworthy though I am, O Savior,
Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never
For Thou my faithful Shepherd art! REFRAIN

REFRAIN:

Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!

4. Weary am I and heavy laden,
With sin my soul is sore opprest;
Receive me graciously, and gladden
My heart, for I am now Thy guest. REFRAIN

2. Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning
That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;
So I, a sinner, come to Thee. REFRAIN

5. What higher gift can we inherit?
It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit,
The covenant of hope and grace. REFRAIN

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE (*we stand and sing*) p. 164

🎵 **“Thank the Lord and sing His praise ...”**

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CLOSING HYMN (*we stand and sing*)

LSB 563

“Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness”

1 Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness My beauty are, my glorious dress;
Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.

2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and redeemed, no debt to pay;
Fully absolved through these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

3 Lord, I believe Thy precious blood, Which at the mercy seat of God
Pleads for the captives' liberty, Was also shed in love for me.

4 Lord, I believe, were sinners more Than sands upon the ocean shore,
Thou hast for all a ransom paid, For all a full atonement made.

5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies,
This then shall be my only plea: Jesus hath lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE