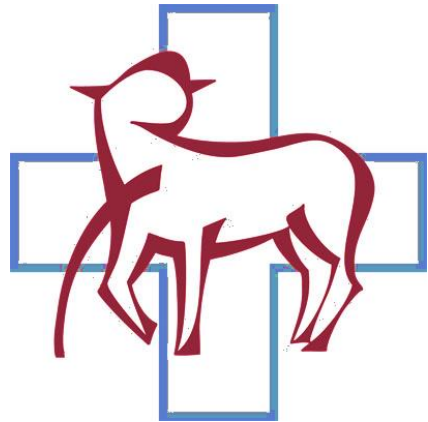


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**February 21, 2021 | 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent | 8:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.**

Today we hear of God testing Abraham and of Satan tempting Jesus. James reminds us that God tempts no one. So, how can we know whether God is testing us or Satan is tempting us? James reminds us that "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change" (James 1:17). As we go through life, striving to live out our calling as God's people, we will hit obstacles and face tests to our faith and to how we live that faith. God can work through these tests to draw us closer to Him. On the other hand, Satan wants to lure and entice us away from the path God would have us walk.



*Divine Service 3 LSB pgs. 184-202*

**Prelude** *Caithness* WAYNE L. WOLD

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **To Our Congregation and Guests about the Lord's Supper**

*The Lord's Supper is Jesus' meal of forgiveness and strength. However, because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because we also believe that receiving the Lord's Supper together is an outward profession of unity with one another in faith and doctrine, we would therefore only invite communicant members of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod to receive this gift with us. If you still desire to receive the sacrament, please first speak with the pastor.*

*Guests are still encouraged to come to the altar, cross their arms over their chests, and receive a special blessing.*

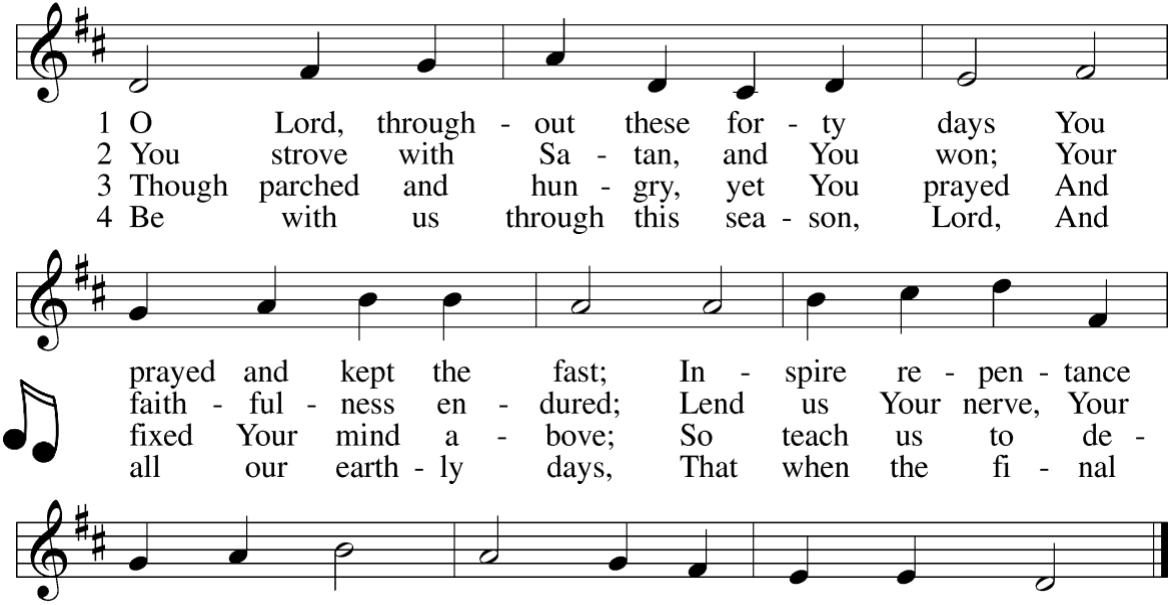
*Preparation for the Lord's Supper can be made by reading the front inside cover and pp. 326-327 of the hymnal along with reaffirming the following statements:*

- *I am baptized.*
- *I repent of my sins, trusting in Jesus' atoning sacrifice for forgiveness and eternal life.*
- *I believe that I will eat Jesus' actual flesh and blood in, with, and under bread and wine.*
- *As Jesus has forgiven and loved me, I do not refuse to forgive and love.*
- *By God's grace I will continue to frequently receive Word and Sacrament, and I will strive to lead a Godly life to the praise and honor of Jesus' holy name.*

✠ Service of Preparation ✠

**Hymn of Invocation** LSB 418 *O Lord, throughout These Forty Days*

CAITHNESS



1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days You  
 2 You strove with Sa - tan, and You won; Your  
 3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet You prayed And  
 4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, And

prayed and kept the fast; In - spire re - pen - tance  
 faith - ful - ness en - dured; Lend us Your nerve, Your  
 fixed Your mind a - bove; So teach us to de -  
 all our earth - ly days, That when the fi - nal

for our sin, And free us from our past.  
 skill and trust In God's e - ter - nal Word.  
 ny our - selves, Since we have known God's love.  
 Eas - ter dawns, We join in heav - en's praise.

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✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

**L** In the name of the Father and the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

LSB pgs. 184-185

**C Amen.**

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

**L** 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.

[Hebrews 10:22]

**L** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Psalms 124:8

**C who made heaven and earth.**

**L** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**



Psalms 32:5

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

L 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.

John 20:19-23

**C Amen.**

☩ Service of the Word ☩

**Kyrie**

*Lord, Have Mercy*



Mark 10:47, LSB pg. 186



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



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

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

LSB 189

L The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

**C And with thy spirit.**



L Let us pray.

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land.

**C Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come;**

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

**C Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading Genesis 22:1–18

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called the name of that place, "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

And the angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the Lord, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**



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## Epistle Reading James 1:12–18

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to

change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading** Mark 1:9-15

LSB pg. 191

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the first chapter.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Apostles' Creed**

LSB pg. 192

L Christian, what do you believe?

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**



- 1 **A mighty fortress is our God,  
A trusty shield and weapon;  
He helps us free from ev'ry need  
That hath us now o'ertaken.  
The old evil foe  
Now means deadly woe;  
Deep guile and great might  
Are his dread arms in fight;  
On earth is not his equal.**
- 2 **With might of ours can naught be done,  
Soon were our loss effected;  
But for us fights the valiant One,  
Whom God Himself elected.  
Ask ye, Who is this?  
Jesus Christ it is,  
Of Sabaoth Lord,  
And there's none other God;  
He holds the field forever.**
- 3 **Though devils all the world should fill,  
All eager to devour us,  
We tremble not, we fear no ill;  
They shall not overpow'r us.  
This world's prince may still  
Scowl fierce as he will,  
He can harm us none.  
He's judged; the deed is done;  
One little word can fell him.**
- 4 **The Word they still shall let remain  
Nor any thanks have for it;  
He's by our side upon the plain  
With His good gifts and Spirit.  
And take they our life,  
Goods, fame, child, and wife,  
Though these all be gone,  
Our vict'ry has been won;  
The Kingdom ours remaineth.**

**Prayer of the Church**

Psalm 25:4-6, adapted | 1 Timothy 2:1-4, LSB pg. 193

L Friends in Christ, I urge you to lift up your souls to our God in whom we trust,  
as Christ, our Lord, promises to hear us.

Lord Jesus, You are the Lord of the Church.

**C Bless the work of our congregation and all who bear Your name.**

L Remember Your mercy, O LORD,

**C and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**



L Lord Jesus, the government is on Your shoulders.

**C Watch over all in this world. Guide the world's leaders with Your wisdom, as well as our elected officials—our president, our governor, and our local authorities—that we may live peaceful and quiet lives.**

L Remember Your mercy, O LORD,

**C and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

L Lord Jesus, You are our Teacher.

**C Make us to know Your ways, O LORD; teach us Your paths. Lead us in Your truth and teach us, for You are the God of our salvation; for You we wait all the day long.**

L Remember Your mercy, O LORD,

**C and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

L Lord Jesus, You are the God of our salvation.

**C Guide us, Lord, in living lives that bear witness to Your truth. Lead us to connect with those who are wandering or who do not know You.**

L Remember Your mercy, O LORD,

**C and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

L Lord Jesus, You are the Great Physician.

**C Bind up the brokenhearted, give sight to the blind, make the lame to walk and the deaf to hear.**

L We name before You those who are struggling in body, mind, and spirit and ask You to heal them: [names].

Remember Your mercy, O LORD,

**C and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

L Into Your hands, Lord Jesus, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your great mercy to hear and answer us.

**C Amen.**

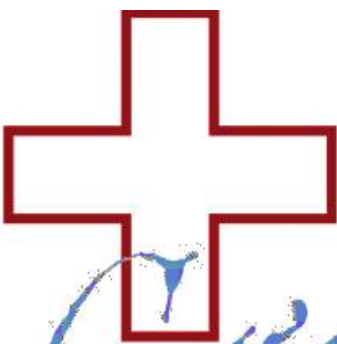
**Offering** -the offering is being collected at the Narthex-Sanctuary door.

**Offertory**

Psalms 51:10-12; LSB pgs. 192-193



**C** 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.



Deo Gratias

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THANKS BE TO GOD



✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

**Preface**

LSB pgs. 194-195

L The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

**C And with thy spirit.**

L Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

**C We lift them up unto the Lord.**

L Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

Psalm 136

**C It is meet and right so to do.**

**Proper Preface**

LSB pgs. 194

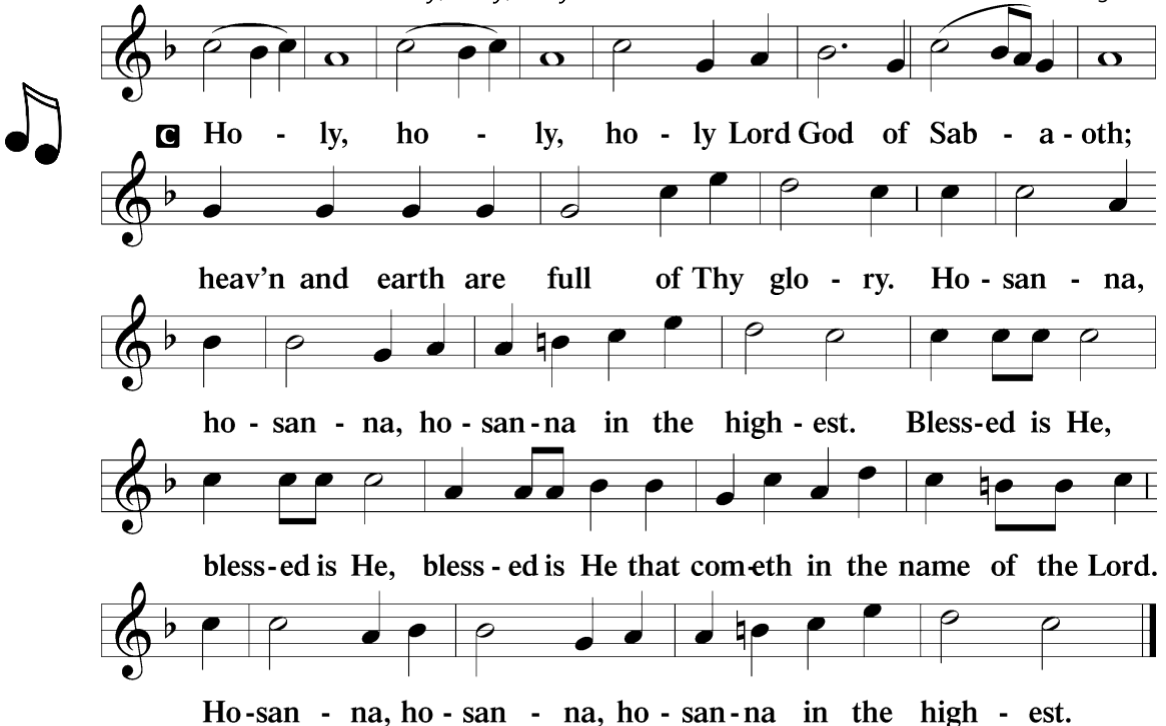
L It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave his life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth.

**C 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**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; LSB Pg. 195



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.

## The Lord's Prayer

LSB pg. 196

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C 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.**

Matthew 6:9-13



## 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  $\text{✝}$  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  $\text{✝}$  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, LSB pg.197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C Amen**



# Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

John 1:29; LSB Pg. 198



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 Hymn LSB 600

Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering



RENDEZ À DIEU



1 Mark how the Lamb of God's self - of - f'ring Our hu - man  
2 From this as - sur - ance of God's fa - vor Je - sus goes  
3 Grant us, O God, the strength and cour - age To live the



sin - ful - ness takes on In the birth - wa - ters of the  
to the wil - der - ness, There to en - dure a time of  
faith our lips de - clare; Bless us in our bap - tis - mal



Jor - dan As Je - sus is bap - tized by John.  
test - ing That read - ied Him to teach and bless.  
call - ing; Christ's roy - al priest-hood help us share.



Hear how the voice from heav - en thun - ders, "Lo,  
So we, by wa - ter and the Spir - it Bap -  
Turn us from ev - 'ry false al - le - giance, That



this is My be - lov - ed Son." See how in dove-like  
tized in - to Christ's min - is - try, Are of - ten led to  
we may trust in Christ a - lone: Raise up in us a



form the Spir - it De - scends on God's A - noint - ed One.  
paths of ser - vice Through maz - es of ad - ver - si - ty.  
cho - sen peo - ple Trans - formed by love to be Your own.

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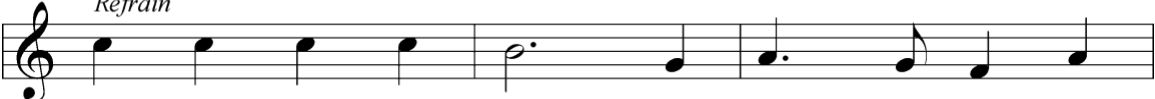


1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?  
 2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.  
 3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill  
 4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.  
 5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.



Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!  
 The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.  
 So still, His will On our be - half the Law to fill.  
 He lives, for - gives, He gives me His own righ - teous - ness.  
 His song pro - long Till ev - 'ry heart to Him be - long.

*Refrain*



Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His  
 own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne!



1 Lord, keep us stead-fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
 2 Lord Je-sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
 3 O Com-fort-er of price-less worth, Send peace and

by de- ceit or sword Would wrest the king-dom from Your  
 Lord of lords a-lone; De-fend Your ho-ly Church that  
 u-ni-ty on earth; Sup-port us in our fi-nal

Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
 we strife May sing Your praise e-ter-nal-ly.  
 And lead us out of death to life.

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**The Dismissal**

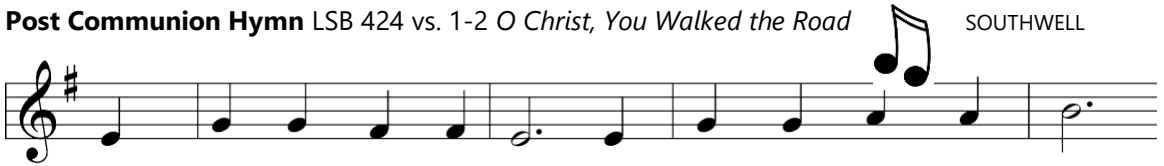
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**L** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ☩ in peace.

**C** Amen.

**Post Communion Hymn** LSB 424 vs. 1-2 *O Christ, You Walked the Road*

SOUTHWELL



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.  
2 No bread of earth a-lone Can fill our hun-g'ring hearts.



You faced with us temp-ta-tion's pow'r And fought our an-cient foe.  
Lord, help us seek Your liv-ing Word, The food Your grace im-parts.

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**Post-Communion Collect**

LSB pg. 201

L 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,

**C 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;**

L 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**

LSB pgs. 202

L The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

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

**C Amen.**

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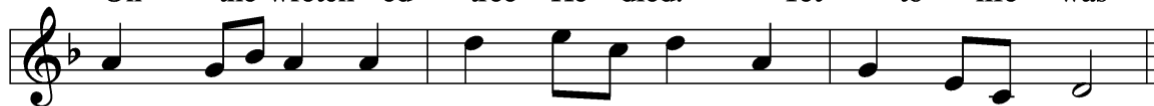
1 Christ, the Lord of hosts, un - shak - en By the dev - il's  
 2 Mi - chael fought the heav'n - ly bat - tle, God - ly an - gels  
 3 Long on earth the bat - tle ra - ges, Since the ser - pent's  
 4 Je - sus came, this word ful - fill - ing, Tram - pled Sa - tan,



seeth - ing rage, Thwarts the plan of Sa - tan's min - ions;  
 by his side; Warred a - gainst the an - cient ser - pent,  
 first de - ceit; Twist - ed God's com - mand to Ad - am,  
 death de - fied; Bore the brunt of our temp - ta - tion,



Wins the strife from age to age; Con - quers sin and  
 Foiled the beast, so full of pride, Cast him earth-bound  
 Made for - bid - den fruit look sweet. Then the curse of  
 On the wretch - ed tree He died. Yet to life was



death for - ev - er; Slams them in their steel - y cage.  
 with his an - gels; Now he prowls, un - sat - is - fied.  
 God was spo - ken: "You'll lie crushed be - neath His feet!"  
 raised vic - to - rious; By His life our life sup - plied.

5 Swift as lightning falls the tyrant  
 From his heav'nly perch on high,  
 As the word of Jesus' vict'ry  
 Floods the earth and fills the sky.  
 Wounded by a wound eternal  
 Now his judgment has drawn nigh!

6 Jesus, send Your angel legions  
 When the foe would us enslave.  
 Hold us fast when sin assaults us;  
 Come, then, Lord, Your people save.  
 Overthrow at last the dragon;  
 Send him to his fiery grave.

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### Sending

L Go in peace, and serve the Lord  
 C Thanks be to God.

### Postlude

*Fortunatus New*

ROBERT LIND



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# Lent

## "Marks of the Church"

**Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm**

**"The Holy Word of God"**

Joel 2:12-19, 2 Cor. 5:20b-6:10, Matt. 6:1-6, 16-21

## Mid-Week Wednesday Services

***Signing-up is not required  
for the Mid-Week Services***

**Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm**

**"Holy Baptism"**

Titus 3:1-11, Matt. 28:7-20

**March 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm**

**"Holy Communion"**

1 Corinthians 10:1-22, Mark 14:12-26

**March 10<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm**

**"The Office of Holy Ministry"**

1 Peter 5:1-11, John 21:1-19

**March 17<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm**

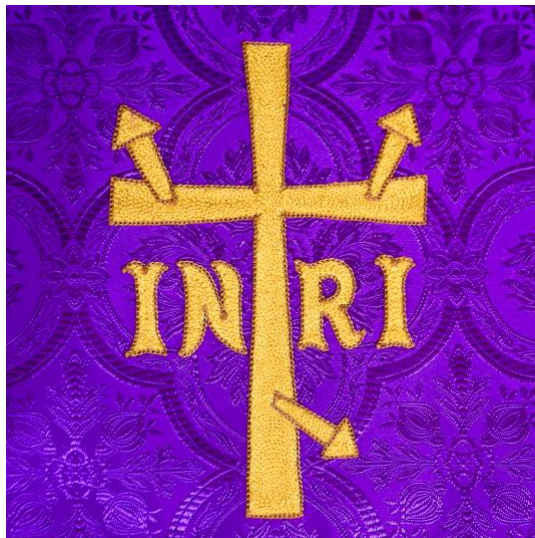
**"Holy Absolution and Church Discipline"**

1 Corinthians 5:1-13, John 20:19-22

**March 24<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm**

**"God's Holy People in Worship"**

Colossians 3:1-17, Luke 4:16-30



## Holy Week

**March 28<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday**

**8:00, 10:45 am & 1:30 pm**

**"Possession of the Holy Cross"**

Zechariah 9:9-12, 1 Peter 3:8-4:19, Matthew 5:11-12

**April 1<sup>st</sup> Maundy Thursday**

**12:00 & 7:00 pm**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> Good Friday**

**12:00, 6:00 & 8:00 pm**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup> Easter Vigil**

**Saturday 6:00 – 8:00 pm at the Shelter House**

## The Resurrection of Our Lord

**April 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am & 1:30 pm**

Is. 25:6-9, 1 Cor. 15:1-11, Mark 16:1-8

**Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 11:00 am at the Shelter House**

Visit our website for more information: [stjohndublin.org](http://stjohndublin.org)

***Call, text or email to sign-up in advance for all Holy Week and Easter Services.***