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"In the sight of God" is a phrase used throughout Scripture. It reminds us of God's unceasing care and concern for His creation. In Proverbs: "Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man" (Proverbs 3:3–4). All our life is in God's amazingly loving sight as He watches over all His creation and especially over people.

Out of love for Christ and one another, we can strive to see others around us in the same way that God sees them.

Divine Service 1 LSB pgs. 151-166

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.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

 \blacksquare Service of Preparation \blacksquare

- L Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!



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- In the name of the Father and the \oplus Son and of the Holy Spirit. L
- С Amen.

LSB pg. 151 Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

1 John 1:8-9

If we say that 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 and for self-examination.

- L Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C 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.
- Ρ 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.
- С Amen.



lacksquare Service of the Word lacksquare







Collect of the Day

- L The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- L Let us pray.



O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration

- C grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them;
- 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.

First Reading Acts 10:34-48



Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, "Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

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

Epistle Reading 1 John 5:1-8



Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

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



Gospel Reading John 15:9-17

- R The Holy Gospel according to St. John the fifteenth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus said: "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

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R This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day LSB 490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT 1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is 3 Je - sus lives! For me He died. Hence will I, Je - sus to Noth - ing me from Him shall 4 Je - sus lives! I know full well 5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the gate of life im -6 0 pall Je lives! Death's done! reign is me; sus giv I shall where He en. go is gone. liv ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide. Nei death of hell ther nor pow'rs sev er. This shall calm my bling breath mor tal: trem -4 From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er Live and reign with Him in heav God is en. Praise glo - ry ing. All Ι to Him and giv Part will me now from Christ for - ev er. God When Ι its gloom - y tal. Faith shall pass por scenes will then com-mence; This shall fi - dence. be my con faith - ful; doubt-ings, hence! This shall be my con fi - dence. need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con fi - dence. be de - fense: This shall my sure be my con fi - dence. fails each sense: Je - sus my con fi - dence! cry, as is -

Sermon

Nicene Creed

- L Christian, what do you believe?
- C 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.

Prayer of the Church

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:



L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

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C Lord, have mercy.

- L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.



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

 Offertory
 Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19 | LSB 1559-160

ren-der to the Lord What shall I for all His ben-e-fits to С I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing me? and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-0 va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, vows to the in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.



Proper Preface

- L 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.
 And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world.
 By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life.
- C Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, 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



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.

Words of our Lord

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of our Lord LSB pg. 162 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 ⊕ 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 ¹/₂ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

1 Corinthians 11:26 Revelation 22:20



Distribution Hymns

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Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

NUN FREUT EUCH



"It's God His be - lov - ed 5 said Son: time to have to com -6 The Was Fa-ther's will. born Son o - beyed His of vir gin said: "Stay close to 7 То He Me. I am your rock me and "Though he shed My will pre-cious blood, Me of My life he pas - sion. Then go, bright jew - el And bring of My crown, to And God's good plea - sure ful - fill. He moth - er; came to to cas - tle. Your ran - som My - self will be: For Ι Ι vou suf - fer reav - ing, All this Ι for your good: Be stead - fast all sal - va - tion. From sin and sor - row set them free: Slay roy - al pow'r dis-guised He be my broth - er. His bore; Α wres - tle. For am yours, and you are Mine. And striveand Ι Life will from death the be - liev - ing. vic - t'rv My and win: bit - ter death for them that they May live with You for - ev er." ser - vant's form, like mine, He wore To lead the dev - il cap tive. am you may re-main; The where I foe shall not di - vide us. in - no - cence shall bear your sin, And you are blest for - ev er. 9 "Now to My Father I depart,

- 9 Now to My Father I depart, From earth to heav'n ascending, And, heav'nly wisdom to impart, The Holy Spirit sending;
 In trouble He will comfort you And teach you always to be true And into truth shall guide you.
- 10 "What I on earth have done and taught Guide all your life and teaching;
 So shall the kingdom's work be wrought And honored in your preaching.
 But watch lest foes with base alloy
 The heav'nly treasure should destroy;
 This final word I leave you."

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN



- 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!



REFRAIN



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- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed, For us, in crown of thorns arrayed, He bore the shameful cross and death; For us He gave His dying breath.
- 6 For us He rose from death again; For us He went on high to reign;For us He sent His Spirit here To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- D 7 All glory to our Lord and God For love so deep, so high, so broad; The Trinity whom we adore Forever and forevermore.

- L The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart \oplus in peace.
- C Amen.



Post-Communion Collect

L Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift,

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- C and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another;
- 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

- L 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 T give you peace.
- C Amen.

The Day of Resurrection **Closing Hymn** LSB 478 LANCASHIRE 1 The day of res - ur - rec tion! Earth, tell it a - broad, out 2 Let hearts be purged of vil That we may a - right e see 3 Now let the heav'ns be ful, Let earth its song joy _ be - gin, ther, All praise to \triangle 4 All praise to God the _ the Son, Fa God The pass - o - ver glad -The pass - o - ver of ness, of God. The Lord in rays e - ter nal Of res - ur - rec - tion light -Let all the world keep tri umph And all that is there - in. All praise to God Spir - it, E - ter - nal Three in the One! life From death e - ter - nal, From sin's do - min - ion free. to ac - cents, May hear, so calm and lis - t'ning to His plain. And. un - seen, Their notes of glad-ness all things, seen and Let blend; Fall down be - fore the Let all the ran-somed num - ber throne Our Christ has brought us ver With hymns of vic - to - ry. 0 -His own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, May raise the vic - tor strain. joy For Christ the Lord has ris -Our that has no end! en, And hon - or, pow'r, and glo - rv As - cribe to God a - lone! Tune and text: Public domain L Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Dismissal

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

Postlude