

Grace Lutheran Church The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod

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**WELCOME!** We welcome our guests and visitors this morning and pray that your worship with us will be meaningful, blessed, and especially Christ-centered. We hope that you will worship with us again soon! If you do not have a church home, we invite you to consider making Grace Lutheran your church home.

**IN THE INTEREST of good pastoral care, Grace Lutheran Church practices close communion.** We believe, teach and confess that the one Holy Apostolic Christian Church throughout history and Holy Scripture teach that those who commune together should be one in faith and doctrine. For this reason, we reserve Holy Communion for those who are confirmed members of Grace Lutheran Church, and for confirmed members in good standing of sister LC-MS congregations. We respectfully ask those who are members of other church bodies to commune at the altar of their church, in accordance with their public confessions and under the care of their pastor.

#### THOSE who serve us:

Elder	
Altar	Piano/Organ
Flowers	Courtesy
Greeters	
Ushers	
Church Cleaner	Lisa Johnson
Church Secretary	Leah Sherman
Little Lambs Preschool Teach	erDeb Evans

**REMEMBER in your prayers:** Jan Flueckinger, DeOnna Anderson, Bob Mills, Jim Kamerzell, Ellen Zlomke, Edna Schaer, Kristy Winter, Wynn Coon, Nate Harris, Bonnie and Leonard Harris, Korbin Sommerville, Lori Liggett, Allison Judy, Joanie Burleigh, Sherry Rhoadarmer, Eunice Masters, Ben Schaer

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We rejoice to be back in the house of the LORD! What a blessing to be able to gather under the same roof, hear God's Word, receive His gifts, pray and sing His praises together.

At the same time, we recognize that the threat of disease is not over and we are still being asked to take precautions in an attempt to keep one another and our community healthy. Here at church, those precautions include the following things: 1) individuals and family groups need to be seated six feet apart; 2) masks, while not required, may be used; 3) we will refrain from shaking hands; 4) there will be no passing of the offering plate; 5) distribution of the Sacrament will be done individually; 6) when lining up for communion, we ask you to line up one family group at a time; 7) the communion vessels have been prepared in a sanitized environment, and arranged in a way that seeks to avoid cross-contamination; 8) at the end of the service, we ask everyone to leave one family group at a time and not linger in the building.

This is something we are dealing with in our community and our congregation. We need to watch out for each other, help one another to care for our bodies and lives, encourage one another with the hope we have in Jesus' victory over death, and pray for ourselves and others that God would continue to lead and guide us.

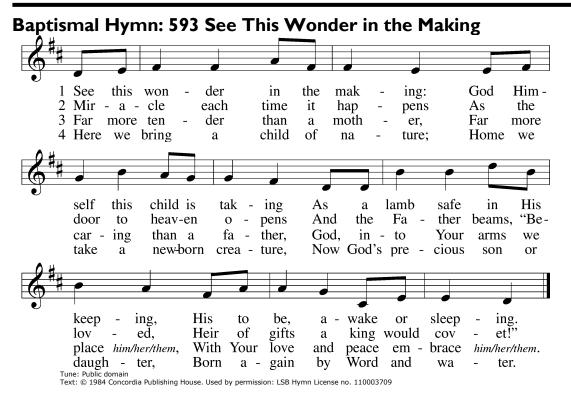
Hallie Hope Sandoz, the daughter of Thomas and Erin Sandoz is being baptized today! We rejoice as we gain a new sister in Christ, baptized with us into forgiveness of sins that the death of Jesus wins, and the promise of eternal life we have through His dying and rising again. Thanks be to God!

A Bible Study on the Book of Revelation has begun. Many things about this year have put the book of Revelation on people's minds. Maybe you've seen a YouTube video or a Facebook meme that talks about it. So what is the book all about? Who are the four horsemen, what is the mark of the beast, what is an anti-Christ? We'll explore these questions, focusing on the glorious victory of Jesus and the comforting promises He makes that are spread throughout Revelation. We will meet on Sunday mornings at 9am in the Fellowship Hall.

This week we wrap up our mission project collecting for needs in our community.

**Next week, we will begin collecting for our September mission project:** St Andrew's Lutheran in Laramie, the campus chapel at the University of Wyoming.





When candidates are unable to speak for themselves, the sponsors answer the questions on their behalf. Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.Amen.

Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

# The pastor addresses each candidate: P How are you named? R [Name]

The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of each candidate while saying: P Hallie, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your + forehead and upon your + heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

▶ Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold Hallie according to Your boundless mercy and bless her with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in her, which has been inherited from Adam and which she herself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that she be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, she would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C**Amen.

- From ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates and catechumens. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church sponsors are to confess the faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are, whenever possible, to witness the Baptism of those they sponsor. They are to pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them toward the faithful reception of the Lord's Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor.
- Is it your intention to serve *Hallie* as sponsors in the Christian faith?
   R Yes, with the help of God.
- God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.C Amen.
- P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

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

The pastor places his hands on the head(s) of the candidate(s), and the congregation joins in praying:

Lord's Prayer	
<b>C</b> Our Father who art in heaven,	as it is in heaven;
hallowed be Thy name,	give us this day our daily
Thy kingdom come,	bread;
Thy will be done on earth	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.

The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even + forevermore.
C Amen.

Sit

*The pastor addresses the candidate(s) and asks the following questions:* 

- P [Name(s)], do you renounce the devil?
  P Do you renounce all his works?
  P Do you renounce all his ways?
  R Yes, I renounce them. Yes, I renounce them.
- Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
   *Yes, I believe.*
- Do you believe 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? R Yes, I believe.
- Do you 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?
   R Yes, I believe.
- P [Name,] do you desire to be baptized? R Yes, I do.

The pastor pours water three times on the head of each candidate while saying:

*Hallie Hope*, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 *C* Amen.

The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized while saying:

The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life + everlasting.
C Amen.

# The pastor may light a baptismal candle from the paschal candle and give it to the newly baptized while saying:

Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

#### The newly baptized may be welcomed with the following:

- A In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you *a member* of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and *an heir* with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our *sister* in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- **C** Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

### Stand

Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Hallie the new birth in Holy Baptism and made her a of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as she has now become Your child, You would keep her in her baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure she may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

- P Heavenly Father, You sent Your own Son into this world as the child of the virgin Mary. We thank You for the life of this child entrusted to our care. Help us remember that we are all Your children and so love and nurture her that she may attain to the full stature intended for her in Your eternal kingdom, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.
- ▶ Lord and Giver of life, look with kindness upon the father and mother of this child and upon all our parents. Let them ever rejoice in the gift You have given them. Enable them to be teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism that they may share eternally with their children the salvation You have given them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

 Almighty and everlasting God, since You govern and sanctify the whole Christian Church by Your Holy Spirit, hear our prayers for all her members, and mercifully grant that by Your grace we may serve You in true faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

 $\mathbf{P}$  Peace  $\mathbf{H}$  be with you. **C** Amen.

All return to their places.

 Introit
 Psalm 70:2b, 4a, 5b; antiphon: vv. 1–2a

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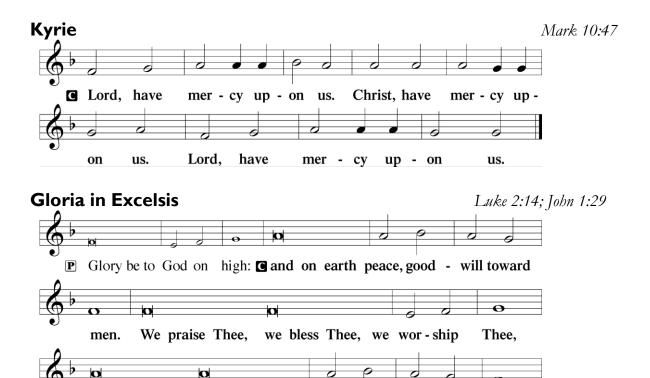
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May all who seek | you rejoice\* and be | glad in you!
You are my help and my de- | liverer;\* O LORD, do | not delay!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!\* O LORD, make haste to | help me!
Let them be put to shame and con- | fusion\* who | seek my life!



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



#### Salutation and Collect of the Day



2 Timothy 4:22

■ Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## Sit

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 29:17–24

<sup>17</sup>Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,

and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

<sup>18</sup>In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book,

and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see.

<sup>19</sup>The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,

and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel. <sup>20</sup>For the ruthless shall come to nothing

and the scoffer cease, and all who watch to do evil shall be cut off, <sup>21</sup>who by a word make a man out to be an offender, and lay a snare for him who reproves in the gate,

and with an empty plea turn aside him who is in the right.

<sup>22</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob:

"Jacob shall no more be ashamed, no more shall his face grow pale. <sup>23</sup>For when he sees his children, the work of my hands, in his

midst,

they will sanctify my name;

they will sanctify the Holy One of Jacob

and will stand in awe of the God of Israel.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### Gradual Psalm 34:1–2

I will bless the LORD at | all times;\* his praise shall continually be | in my mouth. My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;\* let the humble hear | and be glad.

## Epistle

<sup>24</sup>And those who go astray in spirit will come to understanding,

and those who murmur will accept instruction."

### **C** Thanks be to God.

2 Corinthians 3:4–11

<sup>4</sup>Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. <sup>5</sup>Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, <sup>6</sup>who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

<sup>7</sup>Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end, <sup>8</sup>will not the ministry of the Spirit have even more glory? <sup>9</sup>For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory. <sup>10</sup>Indeed, in this case, what once had glory has come to have no glory at all, because of the glory that surpasses it. <sup>11</sup>For if what was being brought to an end came with glory, much more will what is permanent have glory.

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

#### Stand

#### **Alleluia and Verse**

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

## **Holy Gospel**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

## Jesus Heals a Deaf Man

<sup>31</sup>[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup>And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. <sup>33</sup>And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. <sup>34</sup>And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." <sup>35</sup>And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. <sup>36</sup>And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. <sup>37</sup>And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak." **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.** 

## 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.



Hymn of the Day: 545 Word of God, Come Down on Earth 1 Word of God, come down Liv on earth, ing rain from 2 Word e - ter - nal, Word throned high, that brought to on 3 Word that caused blind Speak heal eyes to see, and our 4 Word that speaks God's ten der love. One with God be heav'n de - scend - ing; Touch our hearts and bring birth to cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n die. life to mor - tal blind - ness; Deaf we heal are: our er be: yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from bove, a -Faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - v. Cru ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, Sav ing Word, the Your kind - ness. Loose our tongues to tell Be our Word in God the Spir - it. with us dwell - ing, Word of truth. to re - vere You; Word made flesh, we long we to hear You. Speak world re - stor - ing, us, Your love out - pour to ing. pit - y spo - ken, Heal the world, by sin now bro ken. all truth lead us: Word of life. with one bread feed us. Tune: Public domain Text: © 1969 OCP Publications. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110003709

#### Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
C Amen. Philippians 4:7





### **[Offering at the back of church]** [1 Cor. 9:14; Gal. 6:6-7; 1 Tim. 5:17-18]

#### **Prayer of the Church**

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For all the baptized, and especially for the saints here at Grace Lutheran Church, that our ears would be opened by the Spirit to the Gospel of peace and salvation, and that our lips would show forth our thanks and praise, let us pray to the Lord: **C** Lord, have mercy.

For all pastors, that they would be faithful and compassionate in the exercise of their duties, and that they would speak the truth in love as they catechize the young and old, bring mercy to the sick and shut-in, provide counsel and care to those in need, pray for all under their charge, and proclaim the Gospel as those who recognize how much they need it themselves, let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

- P For good stewardship of God's creation, that we would seek to provide clean air, water and land to all peoples, praying always for God's providential care of the planet He has given us, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For all in authority by whose service God provides for us the gift of order, including parents and family, our government, our police and firemen, our military and our schools, that God would give them strength and endurance to carry out their duties for the good of those entrusted to their care, let us pray to the Lord: C Lord, have mercy.
- For the sick, the frail and the dying, *[especially \_\_\_\_\_\_,]* that God would focus them upon Christ and His love and restore them to health, according to His will; and for doctors, nurses, therapists and all who tend to our brothers and sisters in need, that God would bless them as they put the talents He has given them to good use, let us pray to the Lord:
   C Lord, have mercy.
- For all who partake this day of the Holy Supper of our Lord, Jesus Christ, that they would receive the very body and blood of Christ in true repentance and sincere faith, and to their abundant blessing, let us pray to the Lord:
   C Lord, have mercy.
- For the saints who have gone before us and now rest from their labors, let us give thanks to the Lord; that we would, by God's grace, be kept in their holy communion unto eternal life in Christ's kingdom, let us pray to the Lord:
   Lord, have mercy.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

## **C** And with thy spirit.

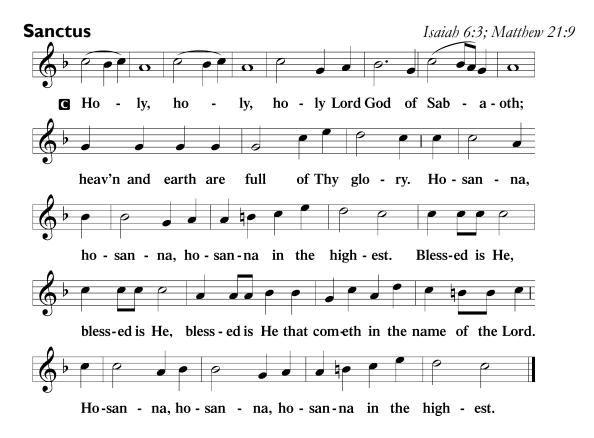
We lift them up unto the Lord.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

С

[Colossians 3:1]

- Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. [Psalm 136]
  It is meet and right so to do. [Meet means 'fitting, proper.']
- 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. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



## Lord's Prayer

**C** Our Father who art in heaven, as we forgive those who trespass against us; hallowed be Thy name, and lead us not into Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it temptation, is in heaven; but deliver us from evil. give us this day our daily For Thine is the kingdom and bread; the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen. and forgive us our trespasses

The Words of Our Lord Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

- **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 + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- **P** 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**

 $|\mathbf{P}|$ The peace of the Lord be with you always.

## **Agnus Dei**

John 1:29

John 20:19

С O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

C Amen.

Matthew 6:9-13

## Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. Amen.

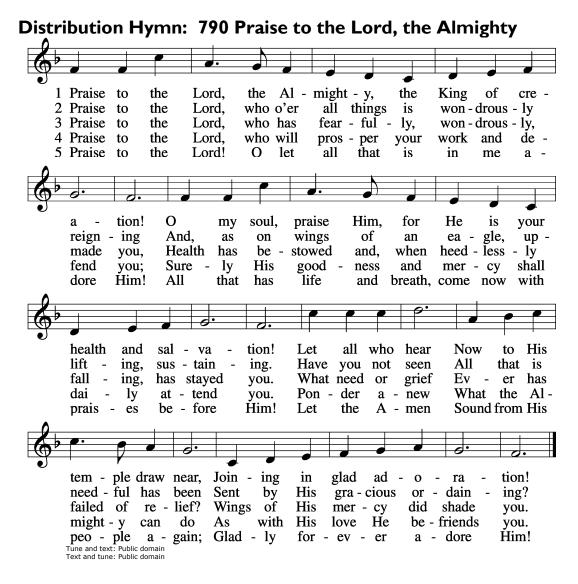
Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. Amen.

We ask all who desire to receive communion to please read the communion statement at the front of the bulletin. For those approaching the Lord's Table this day, we ask you to come individually or by family group.

Following Communion, the following is said:

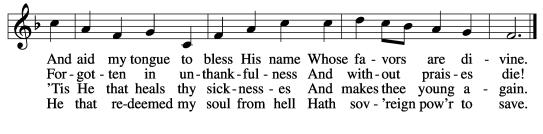
**C** Amen.





#### Distribution Hymn: 814 O Bless the Lord, My Soul

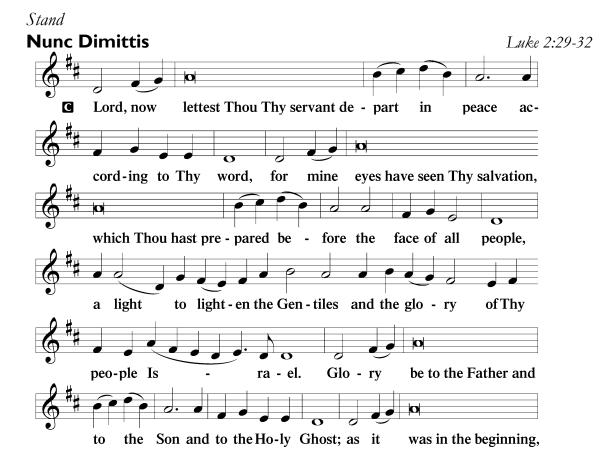
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4 He	e crowns	s thy	life	with	love	When	ran -	somed	from	the	grave;



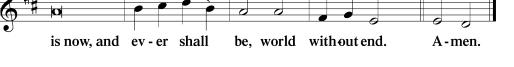
5 He fills the poor with good; He gives the suff'rers rest.
The Lord hath judgments for the proud

And justice for th'oppressed.

By His beloved Son.



 <sup>6</sup> His wondrous works and ways He made by Moses known, But sent the world His truth and grace



#### Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1

[Psalm 103:1]

Numbers 6:24-26

- **A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- **C** and His mercy endureth forever.
- A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, 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; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **CAmen.**
- **P** The Lord be with you. **C** And with thy spirit. *2 Timothy 4:22*

#### **Benedicamus**

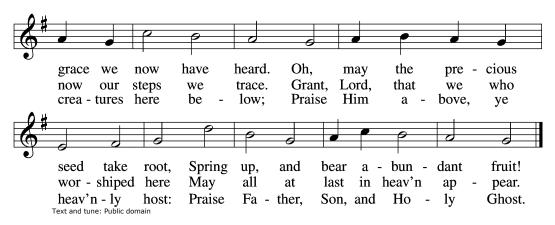
**A** Bless we the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

### **Benediction**

 P 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, amen, amen.

## Hymn to Depart: 923 Almighty Father, Bless the Word

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#### Thought for the Day:



"I'm sorry Jesus, I was just sitting here thinking about why it is that God never seems to speak to me. What were you saying?"

#### STEWARDSHIP:

**2** Cor. 3:5 – "Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God." We are not sufficient, we are not enough, and we are not capable in and of ourselves. But God gives us what is enough, He gives us what is sufficient, and He makes us capable. That is the beginning of wisdom: We are utterly dependent on God's mercy. Our whole Christian life flows forth from this dependence. For if we are dependent upon the Lord, how can we not follow His commandments and walk in His ways?

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