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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/OrganLeah Sherman	
Flowers	Courtesy	
Greeters		
Ushers		
Church Cleaner	Lisa Johnson	
Church Secretary	Leah Sherman	
Little Lambs Preschool TeacherDeb 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, Nancy Russell, 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 will still take a few common sense precautions in an attempt to keep one another and our community healthy. Here at church, those precautions include the following things: 1) there will be no passing of the offering plate; 2) distribution of the Sacrament will be done individually; 3) when lining up for communion, we ask you to line up one family group at a time; 4) the communion vessels have been prepared in a sanitized environment, and arranged in a way that seeks to avoid cross-contamination.

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.

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 throughout Revelation. We will meet on Sunday mornings at 9am in the Fellowship Hall.

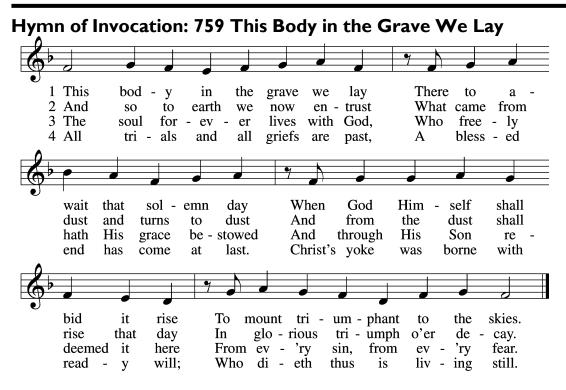
Our September mission project: St Andrew's Lutheran in Laramie, the campus chapel at the University of Wyoming.

STEWARDSHIP:

Ephesians 3:14-15 – "For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named." We have a Father in heaven. He cares for us. He knows how to give us all good things. This knowledge frees us from worry and anxiety. Jesus returned to this theme again and again, and we should take Him at His Word. Our Father will care for us, so we can be secure in generosity and faithful living.

Budget for 2020: \$123,485 As of September 16th, we have received \$82,110.30





- 5 We have no cause to mourn or weep; Securely shall this body sleep Till Christ Himself shall death destroy And raise the blessèd dead to joy.
 6 Then let us leave this place of rest And homeward turn, for they are blest Who heed God's warning and prepare Lest death should find them unaware.
 - So help us, Jesus, ground of faith;
 Thou hast redeemed us by Thy death
 From endless death and set us free.
 We laud and praise and worship Thee.

Please stand, as you are able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- \blacksquare In the name of the Father and of the \dashv Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

[Matthew 28:19]

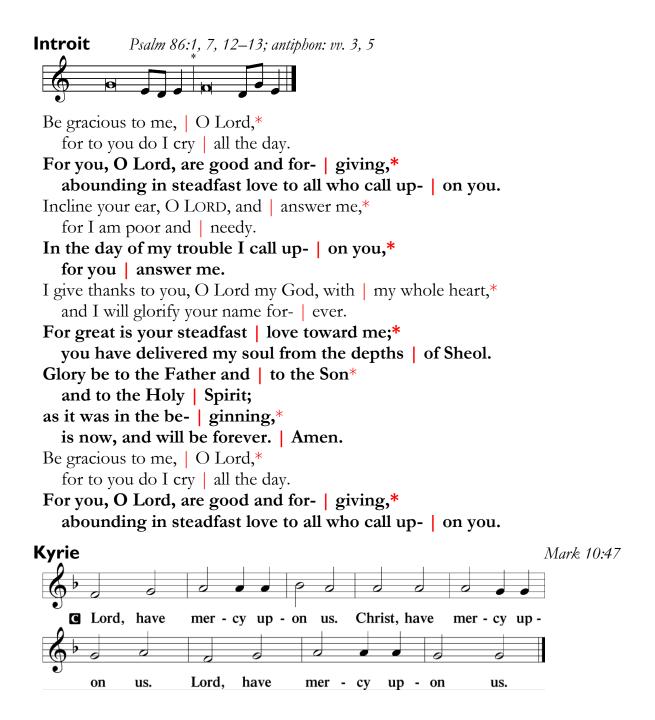
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
 [Hebrews 10:22]
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

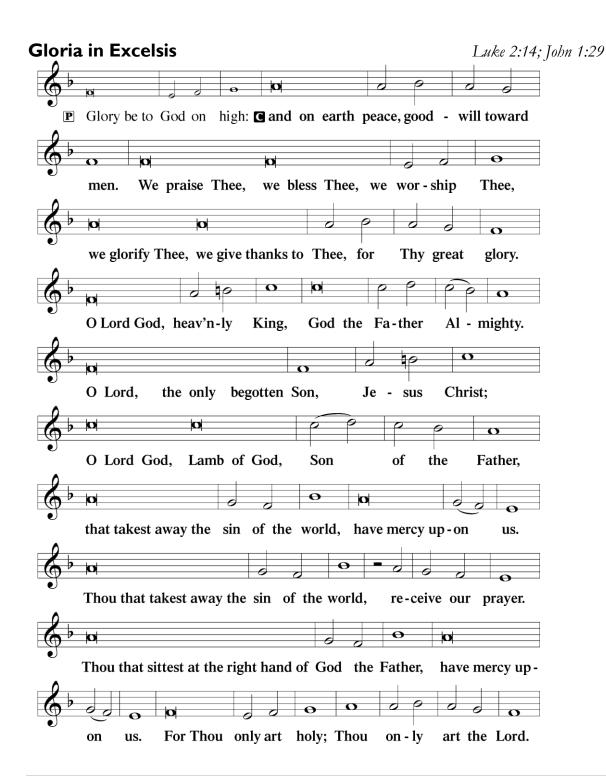
Psalm 124:8

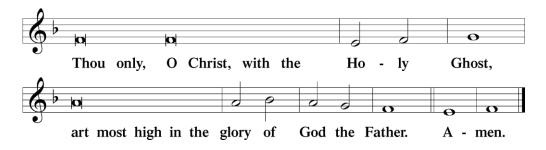
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** 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.
- 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.
 Amen. [John 20:19-23]



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Salutation and Collect of the Day



2 Timothy 4:22

Let us pray. O Lord, we pray that Your grace may always go before and follow after us, that we may continually be given to all good works; 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 Elijah Raises the Widow's Son

1 Kings 17:17–24

¹⁷After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. ¹⁸And she said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!" ¹⁹And he said to her, "Give me your son." And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰And he cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?" ²¹Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." ²²And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. ²³And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, "See, your son lives." ²⁴And the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

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

Gradual Psalm 102:15–16

Nations will fear the name | of the LORD,*

and all the kings of the earth will fear your | glory.

For the LORD builds up | Zion;*

he appears in his | glory.

Epistle

Ephesians 3:13–21

¹³So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

Payer for Spiritual Strength

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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

Stand

Alleluia and Verse C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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Luke 7:11–17

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventh chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Jesus Raises a Widow's Son

¹¹Soon afterward [Jesus] went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. ¹²As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. ¹³And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." ¹⁴Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." ¹⁵And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!" ¹⁷And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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 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,

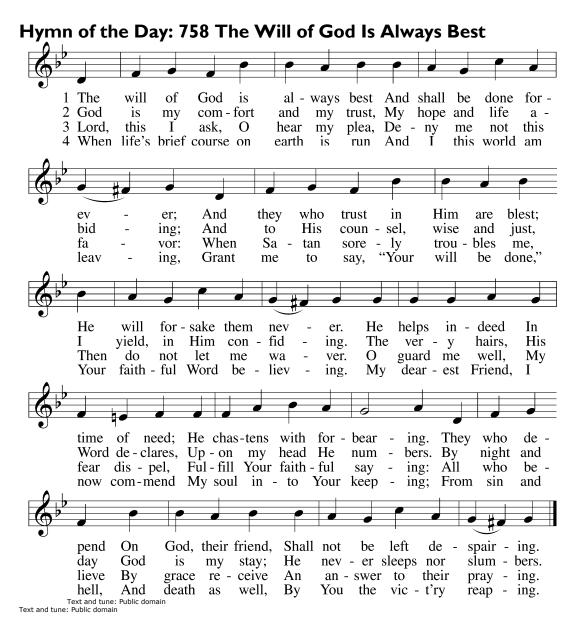
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

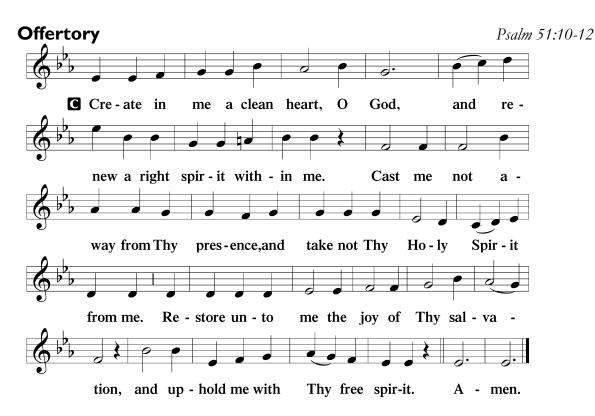
and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.



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

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

For all those who have been raised to new life through Baptism into Christ, that they would be strengthened by the Spirit, rooted and grounded in love, know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, and be filled with all the fullness of God, let us pray to the Lord:

- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For the Church throughout the world, and for an increase in faithful servants sent out into the harvest, that the proclamation of the Gospel

would resound in all places, sinners of all nations would hear and believe, and Christ's kingdom would be expanded, let us pray to the Lord:

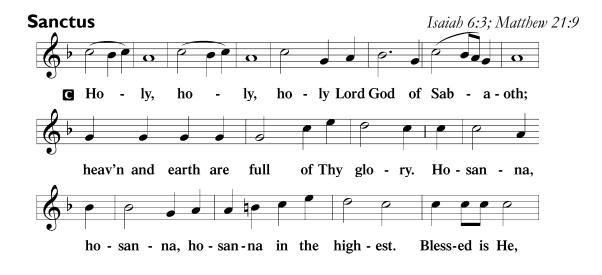


- Lord, have mercy.
- For all pastors, that they would be diligent in their studies, regular in prayer, compassionate and loving in their duties, and humble in their care, always recognizing that they are in need of the Gospel every bit as much as those they are called to serve, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For all who have been placed in authority over us, that they would serve with integrity and honor, seeking after peace and the common good of all, let us pray to the Lord:
 C Lord, have mercy.
- For those in severe persecution and poverty, that they would put their trust in Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, and that, according to His will, they would find refuge in more hospitable places, let us pray to the Lord: C Lord, have mercy.
- For the sick and suffering, *[especially ______,]* that God would incline His ear to hear our prayers, heal and restore them according to His will, and keep them in the faith that leads to eternal life, let us pray to the Lord: C Lord, have mercy.
- For all who receive the Sacrament this day, that they would recognize that God visits His people at the holy altar in the very body and blood of Christ, receive forgiveness of their sins, have their faith strengthened, and depart in peace, 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 be kept in the faith until we are raised with them on the Last Day to dwell in Christ's kingdom, which has no end, let us pray to the Lord:
 C Lord, have mercy.

- P 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.

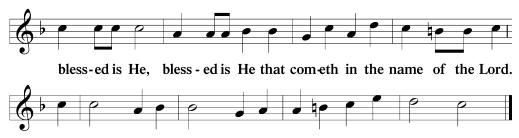
SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. [Psalm 136]
 C 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:



2 Timothy 4:22

[Colossians 3:1]



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

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 *Matthew* 6:9-13

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 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."
- 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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

John 20:19



Agnus Dei

John 1:29

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.

Sit

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:

Amen.

С

Distribution Hymn: 420 Christ, the Life of All the Living 1 Christ, the life Christ, the death of all the liv - ing, of 2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast tak - en on Thee Bonds and stripes, а 3 Thou hast borne the smit - ing on - ly That my wounds might scof - fers 4 Heart - less did sur-round Thee, Treat - ing Thee with Who, Thy - self for death, our foe, me once giv - ing cru el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on Thee, suf - fered, all be whole; Thou hast sad and lone - ly, with pierc - ing shame-ful scorn And thorns they crowned Thee. То the dark - est depths of Through Thy suf - f'rings, woe: didst Thou 0 Thou sin - less Son of God! Thus my oŤ Rest to give my wea - ry soul: Yea. the curse Lord, hast borne, Thou dis - grace Thou, That Thine All as death, and mer - it ter - nal life in - her - it. е for - ev - er. soul de - liv - er From the bonds of sin en - dur - ing, Bless - ing God un to me se - cur - ing. might - est me And with heav'n - ly glo - ry crown me. own Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks shall be, Dear-est un - to Thee. Je - sus. Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks shall be, Dear-est Je - sus. un - to Thee. Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks shall be, Dear-est Je - sus. un - to Thee. Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks shall be, Dear-est Je - sus, un - to Thee.

5 Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,

That from pain I might be free; Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee: Thence I gain security; Comfortless Thy soul did languish Me to comfort in my anguish.

Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,

Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

Thou hast suffered great affliction	7	Then, for all that wrought my
And hast borne it patiently,		pardon,
Even death by crucifixion,		For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
Fully to atone for me;		For Thine anguish in the Garden,
Thou didst choose to be tormented		I will thank Thee evermore,
That my doom should be		Thank Thee for Thy groaning,
prevented.		sighing,
Thousand, thousand thanks shall		For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
be,		For that last triumphant cry,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.		And shall praise Thee, Lord, on
	And hast borne it patiently, Even death by crucifixion, Fully to atone for me; Thou didst choose to be tormented That my doom should be prevented. Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,	And hast borne it patiently, Even death by crucifixion, Fully to atone for me; Thou didst choose to be tormented That my doom should be prevented. Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,

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high.

Distribution Hymn: 741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

Christ, my sure de - fense 1 Je -Sav - ior, sus And my now is 2 Je -Re-deem - er, lives; life shall sus, my Like wise Ι to By 3 No. close - ly hope to Christ fortoo Ι am bound my dust, whence I 4 I flesh and must То the am re - turn am 0 liv ing! Know - ing this, my fi - dence con He will wak en. bring me where He is; ev Faith's strong hand the Rock has found. er: tak faith Ι dis - cern en: But by now 4 Rests hope here giv Though the up on the en, Shall my cour - age then be shak en? Shall Ι Grasped it, and will leave it nev er; E ven That from death Ι shall a wak With my en Ο death be fraught Still with man-y an anx - ious thought. night of Head and leave His mem - bers fear. or could the Rise dead? death now can - not part From its Lord the trust - ing heart. His glo - ry, a - bide His side. Sav - ior to In at

- 5 Glorified, I shall anew With this flesh then be enshrouded;
 In this body I shall view God, my Lord, with eyes unclouded;
 In this flesh I then shall see Jesus Christ eternally.
- 6 Then take comfort and rejoice, For His members Christ will cherish.

Fear not, they will hear His voice; Dying, they will never perish;

For the very grave is stirred When the trumpet's blast is heard. Tune and text: Public domain

- 7 Laugh to scorn the gloomy grave And at death no longer tremble; He, the Lord, who came to save Will at last His own assemble. They will go their Lord to meet, Treading death beneath their feet.
- 8 O, then, draw away your hearts From all pleasures base and hollow;

Strive to share what He imparts While you here His footsteps

follow.

As you now still wait to rise, Fix your hearts beyond the skies!



Stand

Ο ra - el. Glo - ry peo-ple Is be to the Father and O the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning, to is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

- **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

Bless we the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- $|\mathbf{P}|$ 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.
- Amen, amen, amen. С

Psalm 107:1

[Psalm 103:1]

Numbers 6:24-26

Hymn to Depart: 708 Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart 1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from 2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich boun-ty gave My bod - y, soul, and 3 Lord. let at last Thine an - gels come, To A - br'ham's bos - om de - part. With ten - der mer - cv cheer me. Earth me this poor life all T have In of la bor. Lord. bear me home, That I may die un - fear And ing; Ι Yea. heav'n it - self no plea - sure would share. has were grant that I ev - 'ry in place May glo - ri - fy Thy bod - y safe keep My in its nar - row cham - ber in void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near And should my me. lav - ish grace And help and serve my neigh no false bor. Let peace-ful sleep Un - til Thy re - ap - pear ing. And then from heart for sor - row break, My trust in Thee can noth - ing shake. me be-guile; Let doc - trine Sa - tan not my soul de - file. wak - en me. That these mine eves with death a iov may see. Thou Ι Thy art the por tion have sought; pre - cious Give strength and pa - tience un - to me То bear my Son God, Thy glo - rious face, Mv Sav - ior 0 of blood my soul has bought. Lord sus Christ, my God and Je cross and fol - low Thee. Lord Je sus Christ, my God and and my fount of grace. Lord Je sus Christ, my prayer at -



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Thought for the Day:



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