



TRINITY 9

Blessèd is the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commandments!

PSALM 112:1

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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...Kay Kruger
Flowers Courtesy.....
Greeters.....
Ushers
Church CleanerLisa Johnson
Church Secretary.....Leah Sherman
Little Lambs Preschool TeacherDeb Evans

REMEMBER in your prayers: Jan Flueckinger, DeOnna Anderson, Bob Mills, Jim Kamerzell, Edna Schaer, Kristy Winter, Wynn Coon, Bonnie and Leonard Harris, Korbin Sommerville, Karen Prussia, Helen Kling, Rev. Michael Wittrock, Nancy Russell, Marvin Roth, Pat Harris



Hymn: 581 These Are the Holy Ten Commands sts. 1, 8, 11–12



1 These are the ho - ly Ten Com-ands God gave to us by
 8 "You shall not steal or take a - way What oth - ers worked for
 11 You have this Law to see there - in That you have not been
 12 Our works can - not sal - va - tion gain; They mer - it on - ly



Mo - ses' hands When high on Si - nai's mount he stood,
 night and day, But o - pen wide a gen - 'rous hand
 free from sin But al - so that you clear - ly see
 end - less pain. For - give us, Lord! To Christ we flee,



Re - ceiv - ing them for our good. Have mer - cy, Lord!
 And help the poor in the land." Have mer - cy, Lord!
 How pure toward God life should be. Have mer - cy, Lord!
 Who pleads for us end - less - ly. Have mer - cy, Lord!

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Please stand, as you are able

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

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ 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. *Psalms 124:8*

P 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.

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.

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

Introit *Psalm 54:1-3, 7; antiphon: vv. 4-5*



Behold, God is my | helper;*

the Lord is the upholder | of my life.

He will return the evil to my | enemies;*

in your faithfulness put an | end to them.

O God, save me, | by your name,*

and vindicate me | by your might.

O God, | hear my prayer;*

give ear to the words | of my mouth.

For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men | seek my life;*

they do not set God be- | fore themselves.

For he has delivered me from every | trouble,*

and my eye has looked in triumph on my | enemies.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

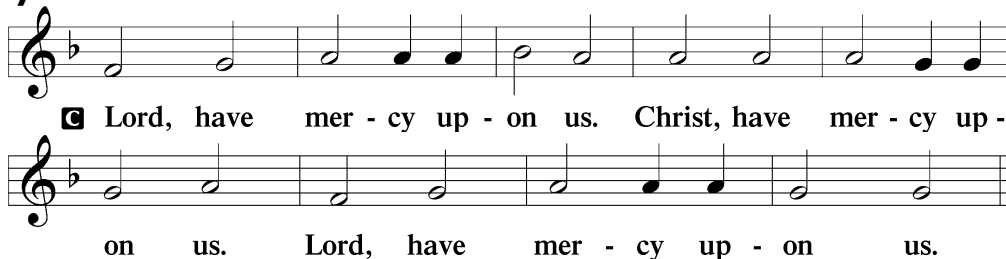
as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Behold, God is my | helper;*
the Lord is the upholder | of my life.
He will return the evil to my | enemies;*
in your faithfulness put an | end to them.

Kyrie

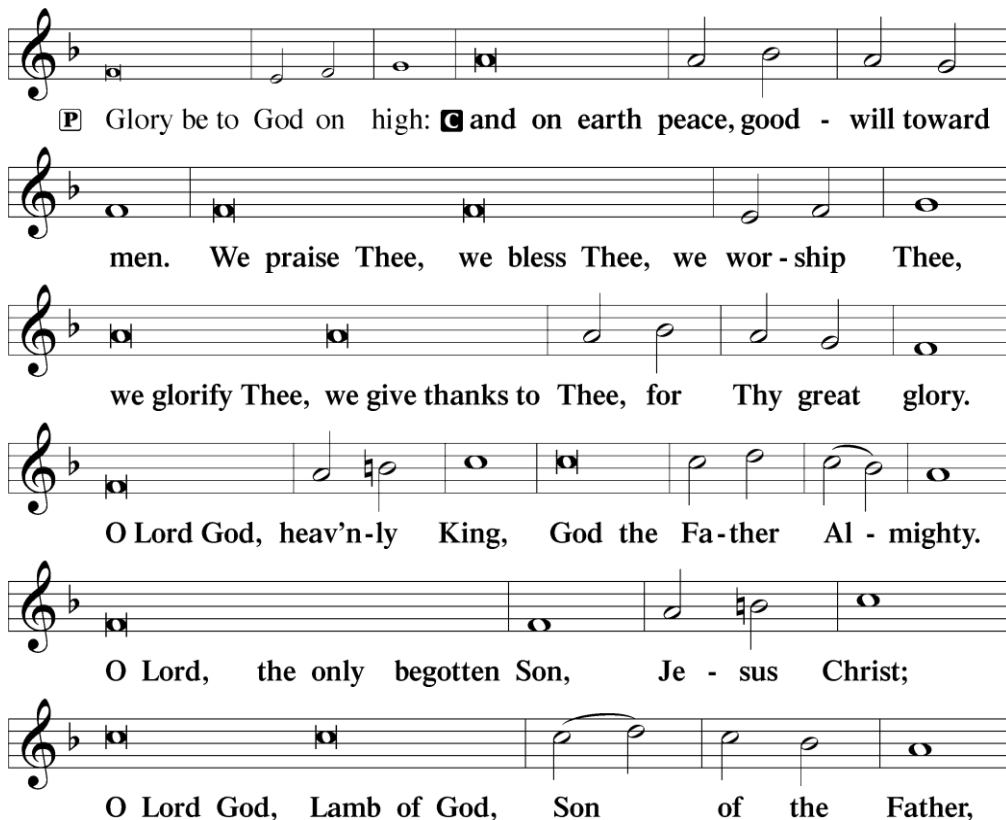
Mark 10:47



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

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



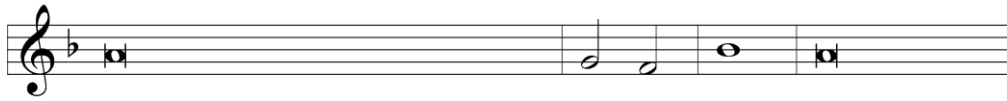
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



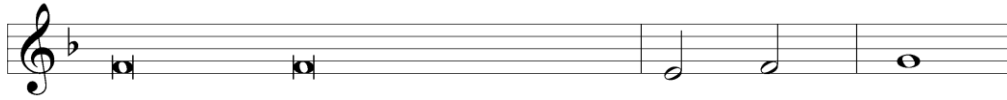
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray. Let Your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading *2 Samuel 22:26–34*

²⁶“With the merciful you show yourself
merciful;

with the blameless man you
show yourself blameless;

²⁷with the purified you deal purely,
and with the crooked you
make yourself seem tortuous.

²⁸You save a humble people,
but your eyes are on the
haughty to bring them down.

²⁹For you are my lamp, O LORD,
and my God lightens my
darkness.

³⁰For by you I can run against a troop,
and by my God I can leap
over a wall.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

³¹This God—his way is perfect;
the word of the LORD proves
true;

he is a shield for all those who
take refuge in him.

³²“For who is God, but the LORD?
And who is a rock, except our
God?”

³³This God is my strong refuge
and has made my way
blameless.

³⁴He made my feet like the feet of a
deer

and set me secure on the
heights.”

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *Psalm 8:1*



O | LORD, our Lord,*
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!
You have set your | glory*
above the | heavens.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 10:6–13

⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and

were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Verse of the Day

Psalms 112:1

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

P Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in his commandments!

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 16:1-9

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

The Parable of the Dishonest Manager

¹[Jesus] also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ²And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ ³And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ ⁷Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ ⁸The master commended the dishonest manager for

his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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 \dagger of the world to
come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: 730 What Is the World to Me



1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed plea - sure
 2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the might - y
 3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mam - mon of - fers
 4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my trea - sure,



When You, and You a - lone, Lord Je - sus, are my trea - sure!
 Yet nev - er once re - flects That they are frail and flight - y.
 Yet nev - er is con - tent Though gold should fill its cof - fers.
 My life, my health, my wealth, My friend, my love, my plea - sure,



You on - ly, dear - est Lord, My soul's de - light shall be;
 But what I tru - ly prize A - bove all things is He,
 I have a high - er good, Con - tent with it I'll be:
 My joy, my crown, my all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly.



You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me!
 My Je - sus, He a - lone. What is the world to me!
 My Je - sus is my wealth. What is the world to me!
 Once more, then, I de - clare: What is the world to me!

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Sermon

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

Philippians 4:7

Offertory

Psalm 51:10-12



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.

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

Prayer of the Church

- P** As God is our good and gracious Master, let us offer up prayers for ourselves, for the Church, for the world at-large and for all people in need.
 For mercy, that in turn we would be quick to show mercy to others, let us pray to the Lord: **C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For a right understanding of our own weakness and frailty, that we would not become proud but cling always to Christ and His forgiveness, let us pray to the Lord: **C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For this congregation, that we would not fall prey to grumbling, adultery, idolatry, disbelief, and other great shame and vice, let us pray to the Lord: **C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For those called to preach throughout the world, especially the pastors of our sister synods, that they would not be lured away into false doctrine or lead anyone else astray, but that they would be preserved in the truth of God's Word, let us pray to the Lord: **C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For a right fear of the Lord, that we would not abandon His truth, let us pray to the Lord: **C Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For a right love of the Lord, that we would fervently show mercy and thereby cover a multitude of sins, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For a right trust of the Lord, that in repentance we would return to our Baptism daily, and that in faith we would receive His body and blood in the Supper, let us pray to the Lord: **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For our government, that those with authority would not only be shrewd in their dealings, but that they would act with love, righteousness and devotion to the common good, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the fruit of the earth, that our merciful Father, without whose care and preservation all things wither and die, would open the windows of heaven and send bountiful rain on us to revive and renew the land, let us pray to the Lord: **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all who are sick or otherwise suffering, [*including _____*], that they would be given strength to endure their trials until God removes them, let us pray to the Lord: **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all who commune, that they would come to the Lord's Supper in repentance and faith for the forgiveness of sins and in the unity of a true confession, 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.** *2 Timothy 4:22*
- P** Lift up your hearts. **C** **We lift them up unto the Lord.** [*Colossians 3:1*]
- 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.'*]

P 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

C 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.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

<p>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;</p>	<p>give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;</p>
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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.”
- 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

John 20:19

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** Amen.

Agnus Dei

John 1:29

- C** 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.

Following Communion, the following is said:

P 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.

Distribution Hymn: 536 One Thing's Needful *sts. 1, 3-5*



1 One thing's need - ful; Lord, this trea - sure Teach me high - ly
3 Wis - dom's high - est, no - blest trea - sure, Je - sus, is re -
4 Noth - ing have I, Christ, to of - fer, You a - lone, my
5 There - fore You a - lone, my Sav - ior, Shall be all in



to re - gard. All else, though it first give plea - sure,
vealed in You. Let me find in You my plea - sure,
high - est good. Noth - ing have I, Lord, to prof - fer
all to me; Search my heart and my be - hav - ior,



Is a yoke that press - es hard! Be - neath it the
And my way - ward will sub - due, Hu - mil - i - ty
But Your crim - son - col - ored blood. Your death on the
Root out all hy - poc - ri - sy. Through all my life's



heart is still fret - ting and striv - ing, No true, last - ing hap - pi - ness
there and sim - plic - i - ty reign - ing, In paths of true wis - dom my
cross has death whol - ly de - feat - ed And there - by my righ - teous - ness
pil - grim - age, guard and up - hold me, In lov - ing for - give - ness, O



ev - er de - riv - ing. This one thing is need - ful; all oth - ers are
steps ev - er train - ing. If I learn from Je - sus this knowl - edge di -
ful - ly com - plet - ed; Sal - va - tion's white rai - ments I there did ob -
Je - sus, en - fold me. This one thing is need - ful; all oth - ers are



vain— I count all but loss that I Christ may ob - tain!
vine, The bless - ing of heav - en - ly wis - dom is mine.
tain, And in them in glo - ry with You I shall reign.
vain— I count all but loss that I Christ may ob - tain!

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Distribution Hymn: 732 All Depends on Our Possessing



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant
 2 He who to this day has fed me And to man - y
 3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting O - ver tri - fles
 4 When with sor - row I am strick - en, Hope a - new my



grace and bless - ing, Though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
 joys has led me Is and ev - er shall be mine.
 and in get - ting Things that have no sol - id ground.
 heart will quick - en; All my long - ing shall be stilled.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en By their God are
 He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, He who dai - ly
 I shall strive to win a trea - sure That will bring me
 To His lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der Soul and bod - y



not for - sak - en And will keep a daunt - less heart.
 guides and rules me Will re - main my help di - vine.
 last - ing plea - sure And that now is sel - dom found.
 I sur - ren - der, For on God a - lone I build.

5 Well He knows what best to grant

me;

All the longing hopes that haunt

me,

Joy and sorrow, have their day.

I shall doubt His wisdom never;

As God wills, so be it ever;

I commit to Him my way.

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6 If my days on earth He lengthen,
 God my weary soul will strengthen;

All my trust in Him I place.

Earthly wealth is not abiding,

Like a stream away is gliding;

Safe I anchor in His grace.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

Psalms 107:1

- 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. **C Amen.**
- P** The Lord be with you. **C** And with thy spirit. *2 Timothy 4:22*

Benedicamus

[Psalm 103:1]

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

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

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: 851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us



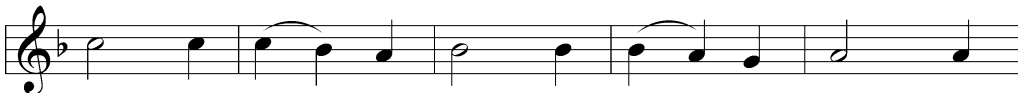
1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your
2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,
3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our
4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your



life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the
free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your
hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious
life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the



lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;
good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone
sen - tence, "You have done it all to Me."
lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.



And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings
Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by
Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You
Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to



count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of



and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you"
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

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Luke 16:8-9 – “... For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.”

The things of this world, including wealth, are merely tools. They can be used for good or ill. They can be squandered or used efficiently. How we use them will be determined by what is most important to us. What is most important to you in your life? Does the way you use the things of this world reflect that?

7/18: \$1,597 7/25: \$750

Budget for 2021: \$124,440; Weekly Need: \$2,393

As of July 28th we have received: \$78,433.96 (\$2,614.47 Average/Week)

May Mission Project (Bible Sticks): \$361; Helping Pastor and Jennifer Wittrock: \$544;

June Mission Project (LWML): \$531.50; July Mission Project: \$231

Total Monthly Mission Giving YTD: \$3,777

Thanks be to God for your generosity, especially to Pastor and Jennifer Wittrock! The health insurance account for pastor and his family has been fully funded, over and above. The district mission pledge continues to be met monthly. What an outpouring of gifts you have given, thanks be to God for the generous giving of His people!

AUGUST MISSIONS: Luther Classical College, Casper, WY

The college years are typically the most formative years in a young adult's life. These are the years when they most often find their spouses, decide on a career, and make decisions that last a lifetime. There is desperate need for a college where conservative Lutheran young men and women can learn the truth of the Christian faith, be encouraged in genuine Lutheran culture, and meet pious, Lutheran husbands and wives.

We need classical Lutheran colleges. By God's grace, Luther Classical College in Casper, WY, will be the first of many. We need to promote genuine Christian culture in our homes, communities, and churches. We need the next generation of Lutherans to be prepared to fight the good fight of faith in a country hostile to their faith, to find their pride in being Christ's, to raise up another generation of Lutherans with Christian goals directed at congregational life, devotional piety at home, and promotion of virtue within their communities. The college years are critical for this. So Luther Classical College is asking for your support

The college will offer an A.A. and a B.A. in Classical Liberal Arts. Generally, all students will take the same courses. The course work and culture of the college will help prepare students for life as Christians in their church, community, and family. Opportunities to student teach at a classical Lutheran school will be offered to those interested in becoming teachers. Men wishing to continue on to seminary will have an excellent foundation in knowledge of the Bible, Lutheran theology, Church history, apologetics, Latin, Hebrew, and Greek, as well as the piety and humility needed for the pastoral office. For those who wish to pursue a trade upon completion of the A.A. (e.g. electrical, plumbing, architectural), the college will work with Casper Community College and local companies to learn the necessary skills and find gainful employment. The college is seeking accreditation with TRACS.

Because large loads of debt encourage students to put off marriage and family in favor of making money, Luther Classical College will remain affordable. Tuition will be set at \$8,500 a year, with scholarship opportunities to help with payment. The Board of Regents will work to decrease, not increase, the cost of tuition as the college grows. In order to secure the independence and guard the doctrinal integrity of the institution, the college will not take any federal funds (including federally subsidized student loans).

The money given to support Luther Classical College will be an investment in our children's future and the future of the Christian Church. Jesus tells us to make eternal friends for ourselves by means of unrighteous mammon (Luke 16:9). We on the Board of Regents are committed to doing just that. We ask you to join us according to your ability. God bless our endeavors for Jesus' sake!

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be August 9th-13th. If you know any children who should be there, bring 'em! If you'd like to volunteer, let Pastor know.