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Christ's blessings to all! **To our visitors**, we rejoice to have you gathered together with us in our Lord's House this day & look forward to having you with us again. If you are searching for a Church home, **please introduce yourself to Pastor** or indicate such **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' in each pew.

THE ORDER OF MATINS

+ Prelude

+ Hymn of Invocation #378
"All that I Was, My Sin, My Guilt"

+ Versicles & Responses – pg. 32 *(stand)*
+ The Venite – pg. 33

+ Psalmody: *Ps. 119:41-48*
Let Your mercies come also to me, O LORD-
Your salvation according to Your word.
So shall I have an answer for him who reproaches me,
For I trust in Your word.
And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth,
For I have hoped in Your ordinances.
So shall I keep Your law continually,
Forever and ever.
And I will walk at liberty,
For I seek Your precepts.
I will speak of Your testimonies also before kings,
And will not be ashamed.

And I will delight myself in Your commandments,
Which I love.
My hands also I will lift up to Your commandments,
Which I love,
And I will meditate on Your statues.

+ The Catechism Review – The Lord's Prayer
What is The Third Petition?
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
What does this mean? **The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.**
How is God's will done? **God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come;**
and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die.
This is His good and gracious will.

+ The Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 19:9b-21
[9b]Behold, the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" [10]He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." [11]And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. [12]And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. [13]And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" [14]He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." [15]And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. [16]And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. [17]And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. [18]Yet I will leave

seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

[19]So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. [20]And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" [21]And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

+ The Epistle: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

[1]For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. . . .

[13]For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. [14]For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." [15]But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

[16]But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. [17]For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. [18]But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. [19]Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, [20]idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, [21]envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. [22]But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, [23]gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. [24]And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

[25]If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

+ The Holy Gospel: Luke 9:51-62 *(stand)*

[51]When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. [52]And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. [53]But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. [54]And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" [55]But he turned and rebuked them. [56]And they went on to another village.

[57]As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” [58]And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” [59]To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, let me first go and bury my father.” [60]And Jesus said to him, “Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” [61]Yet another said, “I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” [62]Jesus said to him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

+ Sermon Hymn – #377, v. 1, 3, 6, 9, 10
“Salvation unto Us has Come”

+ Sermon: “Live in Your Freedom”
Galatians 5:1, 13

I. Christ has set us free from the demand to be justified by the law.
II. Stand fast in this freedom.
III. Use this freedom to serve one another through love.

+ The Offerings

+ The Te Deum Laudamus

+ The Prayers

- **The Kyrie – pg. 39**
- **The Lord’s Prayer – pg. 39**
- **The Salutation – pg. 40**
- **Special Petitions**
- **Collect Of The Day**
  Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**
- **The Collect for Grace – pg. 40**

+ The Benedicamus – pg. 40
+ The Benediction – pg. 40

+ Hymn – #412
“May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfil”

+ Silent Prayer & Postlude

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

DAILY READINGS: June 26: Joshua 1:1–18; Acts 8:1–25; 27: Joshua 2:1–24; Acts 8:26–40; 28: Joshua 3:1–17; Acts 9:1–22; 29: Joshua 4:1–24; Acts 9:23–43; 30: Joshua 5:1–6:5; Acts 10:1–17; July 1: Joshua 6:6–27; Acts 10:18–33; 2: Joshua 7:1–26; Acts 10:34–48.

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