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HOLY COMMUNION

TO OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS: We receive the Lord's Supper, believing the Word of Jesus, that He gives into our mouths His true body and blood, miraculously united to the bread and wine, to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins, and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His Word, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love one another, even as He forgives and loves us.

God's Word teaches us that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm, and that this Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed in this church. Therefore any who are not yet instructed, who are in doubt, or are members of a congregation not in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to commune, are asked to kindly speak with the pastor ahead of time. (*Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16-21; 11:17-34*)

The Order of the Holy Communion

Prelude

Hymn – LSB #465

“Now All the Vaults of Heaven Resounds”



1	Now	all	the	vault	of	heav'n	re -	sounds	In
2	E -	ter -	nal	is	the	gift	He	brings,	There -
3	O	fill	us,	Lord,	with	daunt -	less	love;	Set
△ 4	A -	dor -	ing	prais -	es	now	we	bring	And



praise	of	love	that	still	a -	bounds:	“Christ	has	tri -	umphed!
fore	our	heart	with	rap -	ture	sings:	“Christ	has	tri -	umphed!
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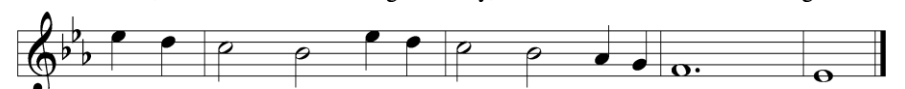
He	is	liv -	ing!”	Sing,	choirs	of	an -	gels,	loud	and
He	is	liv -	ing!”	Now	still	He	comes	to	give	us
through	Your	tri -	umph;	Grant	grace	suf -	fi -	cient	for	life's
Al -	le -	lu -	ia!”	Be	to	the	Fa -	ther	and	our



clear!	Re -	peat	their	song	of	glo -	ry
life	And	by	His	pres -	ence	stills	all
day	That	by	our	lives	we	tru -	ly
Lord,	To	Spir -	it	blest,	most	ho -	ly



here:	“Christ	has	tri -	umphed!	Christ	has	tri -	umphed!”
strife.	Christ	has	tri -	umphed!	He	is	liv -	ing!
say:	“Christ	has	tri -	umphed!	He	is	liv -	ing!”
God,	All	the	glo -	ry,	nev -	er	end -	ing!



Al -	le -	lu -	ia,	al -	le -	lu -	ia,	al -	le -	lu -	ia!
Al -	le -	lu -	ia,	al -	le -	lu -	ia,	al -	le -	lu -	ia!
Al -	le -	lu -	ia,	al -	le -	lu -	ia,	al -	le -	lu -	ia!
Al -	le -	lu -	ia,	al -	le -	lu -	ia,	al -	le -	lu -	ia!

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Stand

Invocation:

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.



The Confession of Sins:

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.

V: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R: Who made heaven and earth.

V: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord

R: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy 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 Ghost.

R: A - - - men.

Introit *Psalm 66:1-2, 8-9, 20; antiphon: v. 16*

*Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.*

**Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!**

*Bless our God, O peoples;
let the sound of his praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the living
and has not let our feet slip.
Blessèd be God,
because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love
from me!*

**Come and hear, all you who | fear God,*
and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.**

Gloria Patri

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Kyrie

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

The Gloria in Excelsis

V: Glory be to God on high: R: 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 Ohrist; 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 Ohrist, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Salutation:

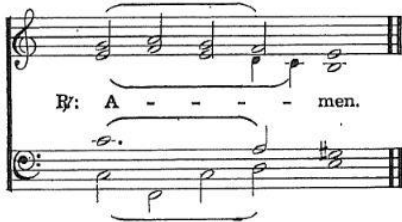
V: The Lord be with you.

R: And with thy Spir - it.

Let us pray.

The Collect for The Day:

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

First Reading: Acts 10:34-48

³⁴Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸how 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. ³⁹And 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, ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹not 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. ⁴²And 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. ⁴³To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

⁴⁴While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. ⁴⁵And 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. ⁴⁶For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Epistle: 1 John 5:1-8

¹Everyone 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. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. ⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

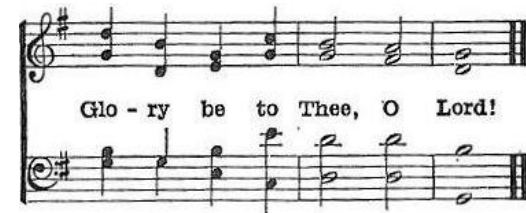
⁶This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷For there are three that testify: ⁸the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

Stand



Holy Gospel: John 15:9-17

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

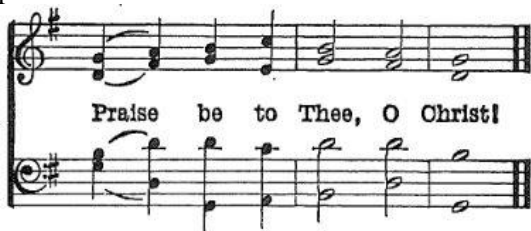


⁹[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵No 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. ¹⁶You 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. ¹⁷These things I command you, so that you will love one another.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The 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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe 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.

Sit

Sermon Hymn: #367

“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus”

Sermon – “Jesus Is Our Judge and the Giver of Forgiveness”

Acts 10:42-43

- I. The message for us to believe
- II. The message everyone needs to know and believe

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The Offertory



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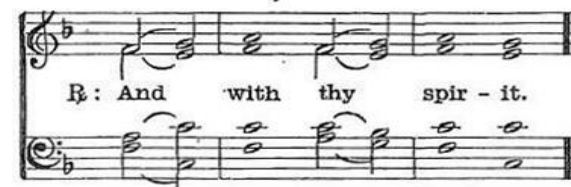
The Offering

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The General Prayer

The Preface

V: The Lord be with you.



V: Lift up your hearts.

R: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

V: Let us give thanks unto the lord our God.

R: It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. But chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us and hath taken away the sins of the world; who by His death hath destroyed death and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

The Sanctus

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.

The Lord's Prayer

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 as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil;

R: For Thine is the king - dom and the power and the

glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini

V: The peace of the Lord be with you alway!

B: A - - - - - men.

The Agnus Dei

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

world, grant us Thy peace. . . . A - - - - - men.

Sit

Communion Distribution Hymns:

- #314 "Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray"
- #528, v.1-5 "If God Himself Be For Me"
- #360 "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

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The Numc Dimittis

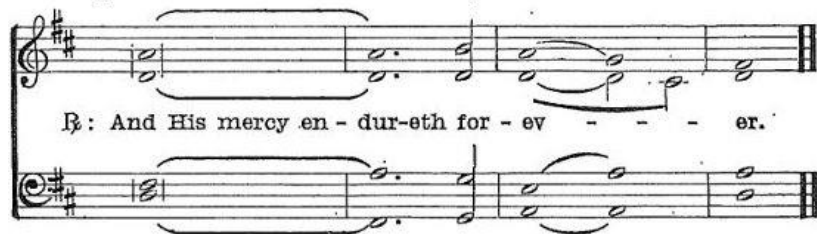
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a Light to light - en the Gen-tiles and the Glo - ry of Thy



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 be-
ginning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end.. A-men.

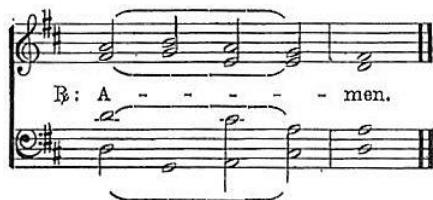
The Thanksgiving

V: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



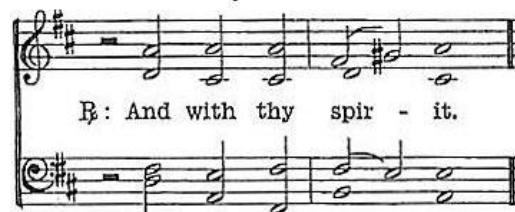
R: And His mercy en - dur-eth for - ev - - - er.

We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.




R: A - - - - men.

V: The Lord be with you.



R: And with thy spir - it.

V: Bless we the Lord.



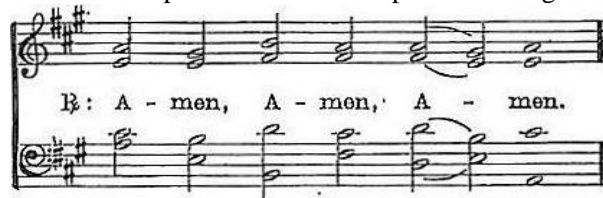
R: Thanks be to God.

The Benediction

The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.



R: A - men, A - men, A - men.

Sit

Closing Hymn - #528, v. 1-5 (7:00 p.m.)

"If God Himself Be For Me"

Silent Prayer & Postlude

DAILY READINGS: May 5: Num. 3:1-16, 39-48; Luke 14:25-15:10; 6: Num. 8:5-26; Luke 15:11-32; 7: Num. 9:1-23; Luke 16:1-18; 8: Num. 10:11-36; Luke 16:19-31; 9: Num. 11:1-23, 31-35; Luke 17:1-19; 10: Num. 11:24-29; 12:1-16; Luke 17:20-37; 11: Num. 13:1-3, 17-33; Luke 18:1-17.

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