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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** afterwards, or indicate such together **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' located in each pew.

The Order of Service without Holy Communion

Prelude

Hymn – #236

"Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid"

Stand

Invocation:

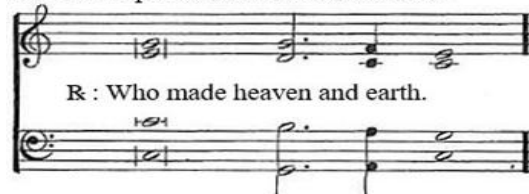
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.



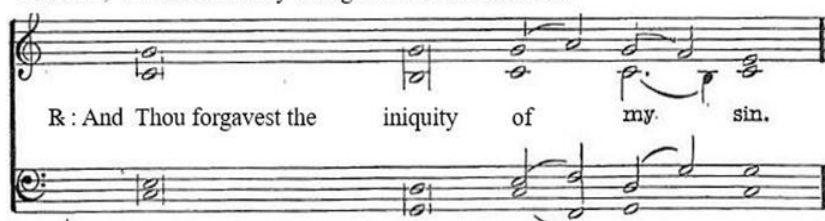
The Confession of Sins:

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.



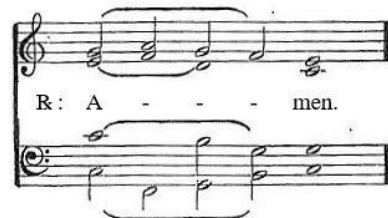
V: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord



Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the sons of God and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this Lord, unto us all.



Introit: Ps. 28:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: Ps. 28:8

*The LORD is the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his anointed.*

**To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,
lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the
pit.**

*Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,
when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.*

Blessèd be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

*The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am
helped;*

my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

**The LORD is the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his anointed.**

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

Glory be to God on high: β : 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.

The Salutation:

V: The Lord be with you.

R: And with thy Spir - it.

Let us pray.

The Collect for The Day:

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

R: A - - - - men.

Sit

The Catechism Review – The Apostles’ Creed

What is The Third Article?

I 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. Amen.

What does this mean? **I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.**

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

⁴ Say to those who have an anxious heart,

“Be strong; fear not!

Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God.

He will come and save you.”

⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,

and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
⁶ then shall the lame man leap like a
 deer,
 and the tongue of the mute sing
 for joy.
 For waters break forth in the
 wilderness,
 and streams in the desert;
⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool,
 and the thirsty ground springs of
 water.

The Epistle: James 2:1-10, 14-18

¹My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

⁸If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. . . .

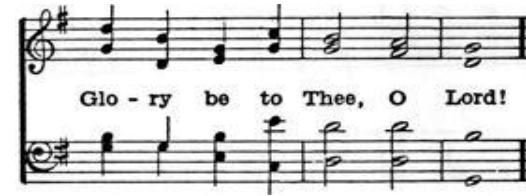
¹⁴What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? ¹⁷So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ¹⁸But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

Stand



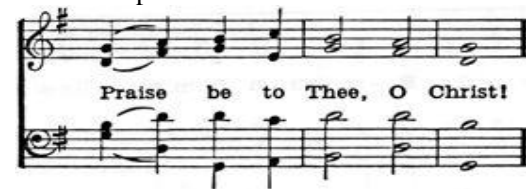
Holy Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

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



³¹[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And 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.



The Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And

sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Sit

Sermon Hymn: #235, v. 1, 2, 6, 8
“O Holy Spirit, Enter In”

Sermon: “Thank God for Salvation through Sanctification by the Spirit”
2 Thessalonians 2:13-14

- I. God chose us for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and faith in the truth.
- II. The Spirit sanctified us through the gospel.
- III. The Spirit sanctified us so that we may obtain the glory of Jesus.

Stand

Offertory

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.

Sit

The Offering

Stand

The General Prayer

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; For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Hymn: #234

“Holy Ghost, with Light Divine”

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The Collect for the Word / Church

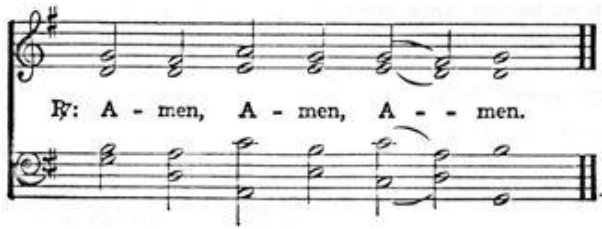
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The Benediction

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.



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Closing Hymn: #38

“The Lord, My God, be Praised”

Silent Prayer & Postlude

DAILY READINGS: September 8: 2 Kings 5:9–27; Phil. 1:1–20; 9: 2 Kings 6:1–23; Phil. 1:21–2:11; 10: 2 Kings 9:1–13; 10:18–29; Phil. 2:12–30; 11: 2 Chron. 29:1–24; Phil. 3:1–21; 12: 2 Chron. 31:1–21; Phil. 4:1–23; 13: 2 Chron. 32:1–22; Col. 1:1–23; 14: 2 Chron. 33:1–25; Col. 1:24–2:7.

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