



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)

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Mission Statement

"Empowered by God's Word, we joyfully share the Love of Jesus with all people."

Vision Statement

"We will be a vibrant, welcoming church serving the needs of our members, community, and missions by partnering with other churches and organizations while preaching and teaching the inspired Word of God and our Savior Jesus Christ."

SUNDAY MORNINGS (SEPTEMBER- MAY)

- ✝ Divine Service w/Holy Communion:
 - 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
- ✝ Adult Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.
- ✝ Sunday School: 10:15 am – 11:15 am

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- **Nursery available:** For families with small children, there is a designated room in the basement (down the hall, on the right, from the old Parish Hall). You will find a changing table, crib, a few books and toys. Please feel free to use anytime during the worship service.
- Today's service broadcast can be found on **KOWZ 1170 AM or 106.3 FM**; or Live Streaming on **Facebook**. **These are not a replacement for being in Church and Bible Class.** These are for times when we are unable to attend in person.
- **Lutheran Hour:** The Lutheran Hour can be heard on radio stations WCCO 830AM, Sunday, 6:05 AM; and KDHL920 AM, Faribault, Sunday, 6:00 PM.
- **WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!** If you are a visitor, we look forward to visiting with you today and in the near future. Please write your name, address, and phone number in our visitor's book located at the back of church at the visitor's desk or in the black pew book. We invite you to fellowship, coffee & treats following the worship service. Adult Bible Study begins at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. **Any guest wishing to receive communion here at St Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or the Elder on duty prior to the church service.** Thank you.
- **Preparing for Holy Communion, please refer to the section in the bulletin "Service of the Sacrament".**
- **Individual or Family Pastoral Care:** Please remember that Private devotion and Holy Communion are available for individuals or couples that are homebound, at greater risk for COVID, or in times of emergency. Call the church office at 507-835-2647 to schedule an appointment when needed.
- **Man Up Retreat will be held March 6th and 7th at Camp Omega.** Please go on – line to <https://campomega.org/event/manup/> to sign up ASAP! See bulletin board for more information.
- **Lent Devotionals** are now available with a free will donation at the front of the church. There are also Kloria books available for \$5.00. These are hard cover books for kids. "I Am Jesus Little Lamb". If you are interested in the Kloria books, please see Aimee.

As We Gather: O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

This Ash Wednesday, we introduce our Lent sermon series, which is based on the ancient hymn “O Love, How Deep” (LSB 544). This hymn, written in the fifteenth century, contemplates the love of God in becoming man, taking on our life, dying our death, and rising again, all for us. But for us to understand and appreciate this love, we must first examine ourselves and our lives to see how we have failed in thought, word, and deed. While we may try to get credit for our so-called good works, we all still die with nothing to show for them. But God’s love is not like our love. Our love is self-centered and fickle. God’s love is steady, deep, and beyond all understanding (Ephesians 3:14–19). This love of God will have no end.

Blessing of Paraments

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord: “The LORD reigns; He is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; He has put on strength as His belt.” “Splendor and majesty are before Him; strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.”

It is therefore fitting that we implore the Lord’s blessing as we clothe the altar of His sanctuary from which He strengthens and preserves us in the true faith.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord, **C** who made heaven and earth.

P The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

P Let us pray. O Lord God Almighty, You instructed Moses Your servant to make hangings and fine linens for use in Your tabernacle. We implore You to sanctify these Paraments for the adornment of Your Church; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Ash Wednesday Address

P Dear brothers and sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ, on this day the Church begins a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection. Our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it life and hope.

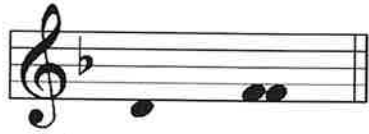
Let us pray that our dear Father in heaven, for the sake of His beloved Son and in the power of His Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lententide for us so that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and keep the feast in sincerity and truth.

Silence for reflection

The Litany



L O Lord,



L O Christ,



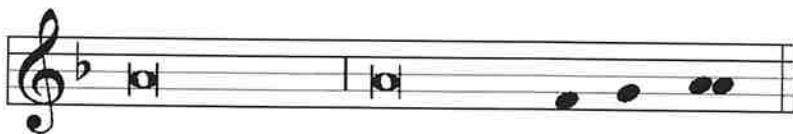
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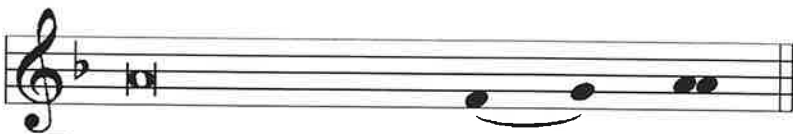
L O Christ,



L God the Fa - ther in heaven,



L God the Son, Redeemer of the world,



L God the Holy Spir - it,



C have mer - cy.



C have mer - cy.



C have mer - cy.



C hear us.



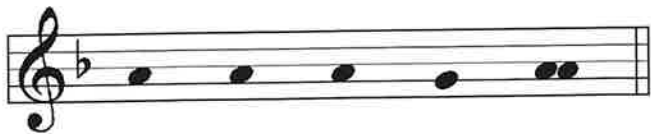
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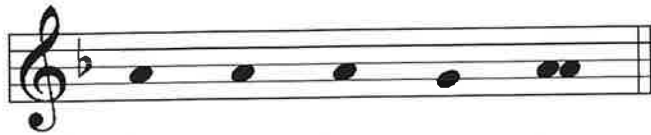
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C have mer - cy.



L Be gra - cious to us.



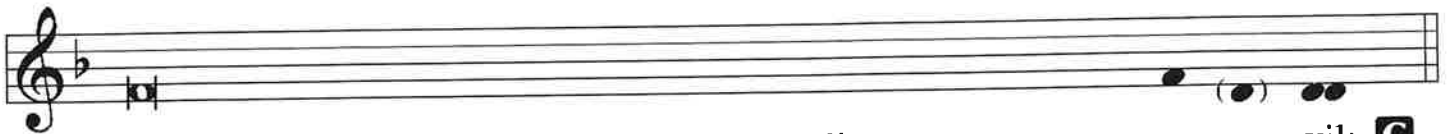
L Be gra - cious to us.



C Spare us, good Lord.



C Help us, good Lord.

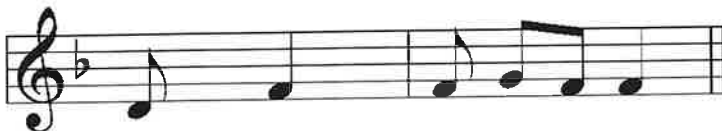


L From all sin, from all error, from all e - vil; **C**

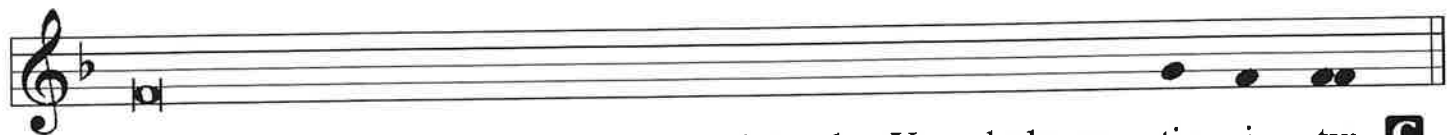
From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and e - vil death; **C**

From pestilence and famine;
from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from re - bel - lion; **C**

From lightning and tempest;
from all calamity by fire and water; and from ever - last - ing death: **C**



C Good Lord, de - liv - er us.



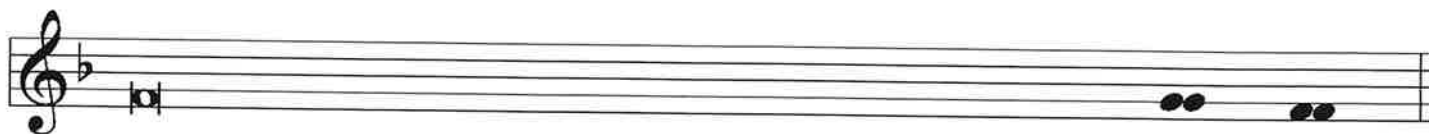
L By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy na - tiv - i - ty; **C**

By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation;
by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your
cross and passion; by Your precious death and bur - i - al; **C**

By Your glorious resurrection and ascension;
and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Com - fort - er: **C**



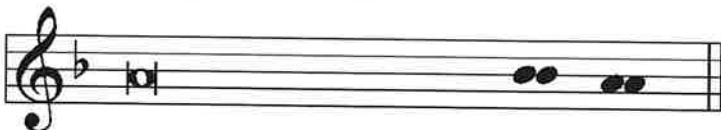
C Help us, good Lord.



L In all time of our tribulation; in all time
of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judg - ment:



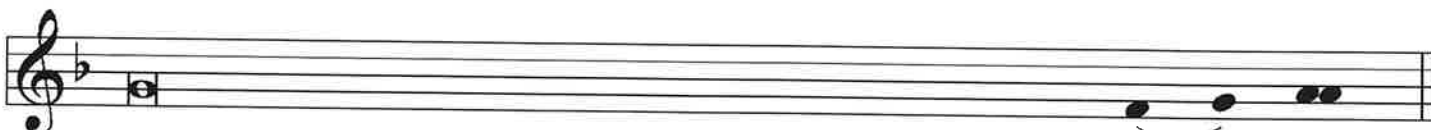
C Help us, good Lord.



L We poor sinners im - plore You



C to hear us, O Lord.



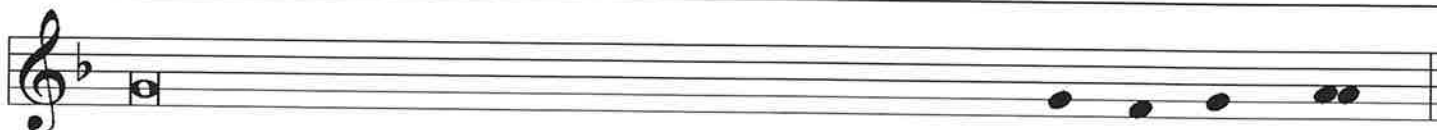
L To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church;
to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your
Church in the true knowledge and understanding
of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy liv - ing; **C**

To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense;
to bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are de - ceived; **C**

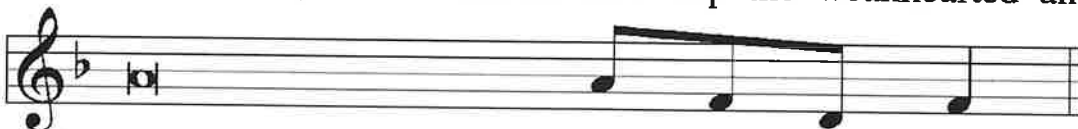
To beat down Satan under our feet;
to send faithful laborers into Your harvest;
and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spir - it: **C**



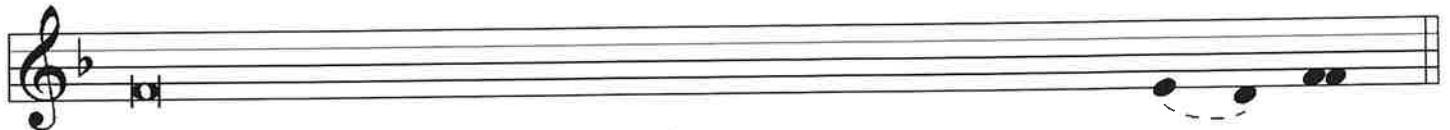
C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.



L To raise those who fall and to strengthen those
who stand; and to comfort and help the weakhearted and the dis - tressed:



C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.



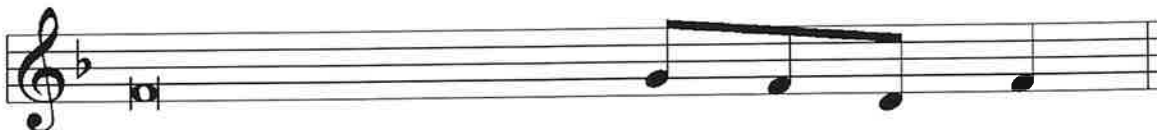
L To give to all peoples concord and peace;
 to preserve our land from discord and strife;
 to give our country Your protection in every time of need; **C**

To direct and defend our *president/queen/king* and all in
 authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our peo - ple; **C**

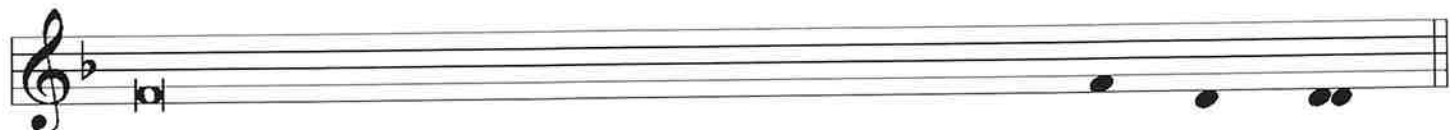
To watch over and help all who are in danger,
 necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who trav - el; **C**

To grant all women with child, and all mothers
 with infant children, increasing happiness in
 their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and pro-vide for them; **C**

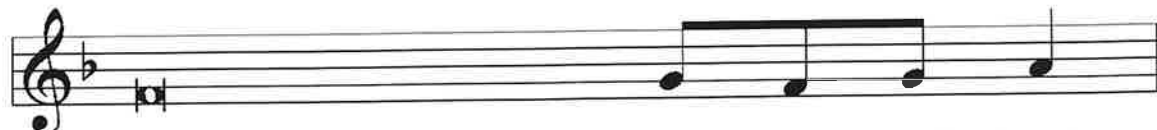
To strengthen and keep all sick persons and
 young children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all: **C**



C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.



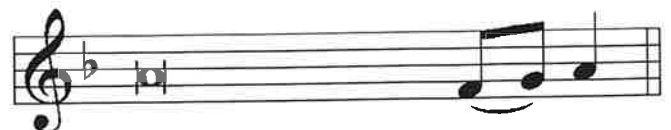
L To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers
 and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our
 use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:



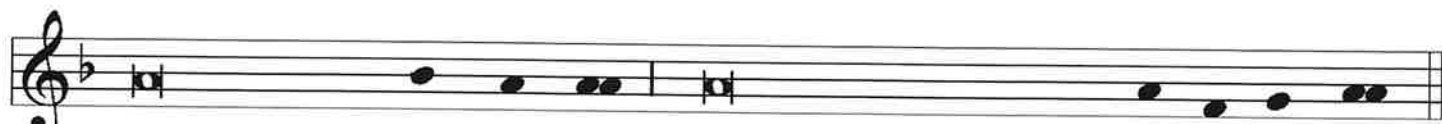
C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.



L Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,



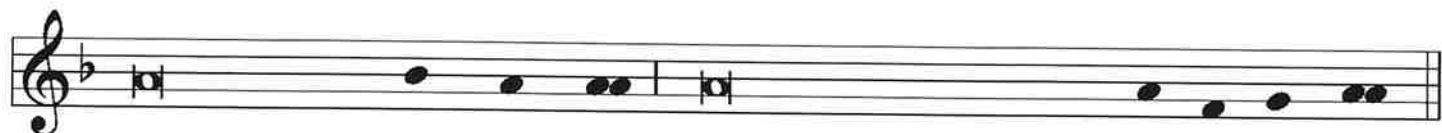
C we implore You to hear us.



L Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,



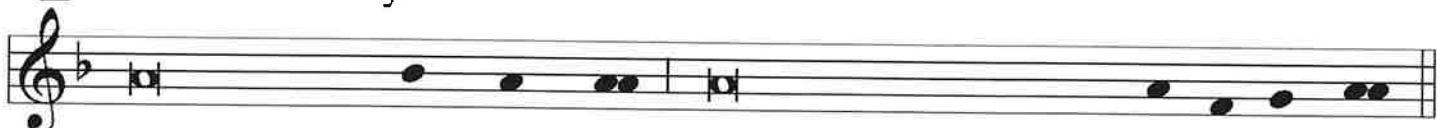
C have mer - cy.



L Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,



C have mer - cy.



L Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,



C grant us Your peace.



L O Christ,



C hear us.



L O Lord,



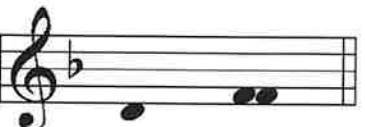
C have mer - cy.



L O Christ,



C have mer - cy.



L O Lord,



C have mer - cy. A - men.

Prayer

- P** O God, You desire not the death of sinners, but rather that they turn from their wickedness and live. We implore You to have compassion on the frailty of our mortal nature, for we acknowledge that we are dust and to dust we shall return. Mercifully pardon our sins that we may obtain the promises You have laid up for those who are repentant; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Imposition of Ashes

The pastor and assistants receive ashes first, followed by the congregation. Using the right thumb, the pastor or an assistant places the ashes on the forehead of each person in the sign of the cross, saying, "Remember ✠ that you are dust ✠ and to dust ✠ you shall return."

After receiving the ashes, each person returns to his or her place in silence.

Hymn of Imposition: Savior, When in Dust to Thee

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| 1 Savior, when in dust to Thee
Low we bow the_adoring knee;
When, repentant, to the skies
Scarce we lift our weeping eyes;
O, by all Thy pains and woe
Suffered once for us below,
Bending from Thy throne on high,
Hear our penitential cry! | 3 By Thine hour of dire despair,
By Thine agony of prayer,
By the cross, the nail, the thorn,
Piercing spear, and torturing scorn,
By the gloom that veiled the skies
O'er the dreadful sacrifice,
Listen to our humble sigh;
Hear our penitential cry! |
| 2 By Thy helpless infant years,
By Thy life of want and tears,
By Thy days of deep distress
In the savage wilderness,
By the dread, mysterious hour
Of the_insulting tempter's pow'r,
Turn, O turn a fav'ring eye;
Hear our penitential cry! | 4 By Thy deep expiring groan,
By the sad sepulchral stone,
By the vault whose dark abode
Held in vain the rising God,
O, from earth to heav'n restored,
Mighty, reascended Lord,
Bending from Thy throne on high,
Hear our penitential cry! |

Text: Robert Grant, 1779–1838, alt.
Tune: Joseph Parry, 1841–1903
Text and tune: Public domain

Confession and Absolution

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

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

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P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

Confession of Sins

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P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Absolution

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P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Psalm 51:1–13

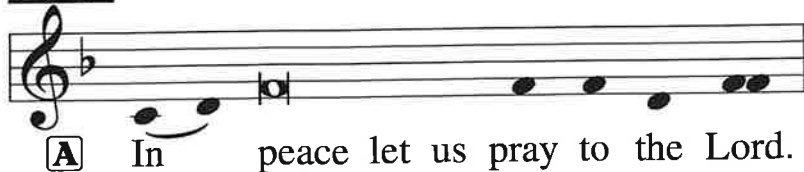
P ¹Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;

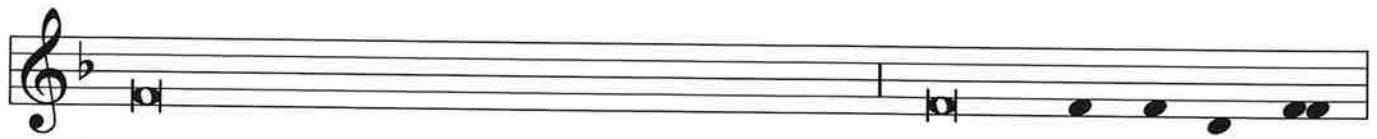
C **according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.**

- P** ²Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
C and cleanse me from my sin!
- P** ³For I know my transgressions,
C and my sin is ever before me.
- P** ⁴Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
C so that you may be justified in your words
and blameless in your judgment.
- P** ⁵Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
C and in sin did my mother conceive me.
- P** ⁶Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
C and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.
- P** ⁷Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
C wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- P** ⁸Let me hear joy and gladness;
C let the bones that you have broken rejoice.
- P** ⁹Hide your face from my sins,
C and blot out all my iniquities.
- P** ¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C and renew a right spirit within me.
- P** ¹¹Cast me not away from your presence,
C and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
- P** ¹²Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
C and uphold me with a willing spirit.
- P** ¹³Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
C and sinners will return to you.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Kyrie

LSB 152





A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



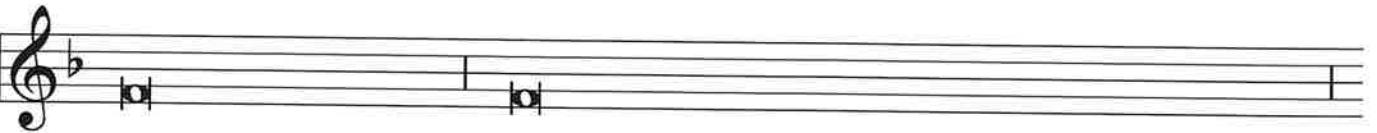
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



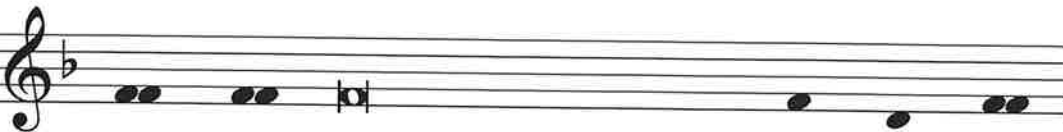
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; 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

Joel 2:12-19

P The Old Testament Reading is from Joel, the second chapter.

¹²“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; ¹³and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. ¹⁴Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? ¹⁵Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; ¹⁶gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders; gather the children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber. ¹⁷Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, “Spare your people, O LORD, and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, ‘Where is their God?’”

¹⁸Then the LORD became jealous for his land and had pity on his people. ¹⁹The LORD answered and said to his people, “Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Hebrews 12:2



- P** [O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,*
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,
C who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross,
despis- | ing the shame,*
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10

- P** The Epistle is from 2 Corinthians, the fifth chapter.

We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

¹Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

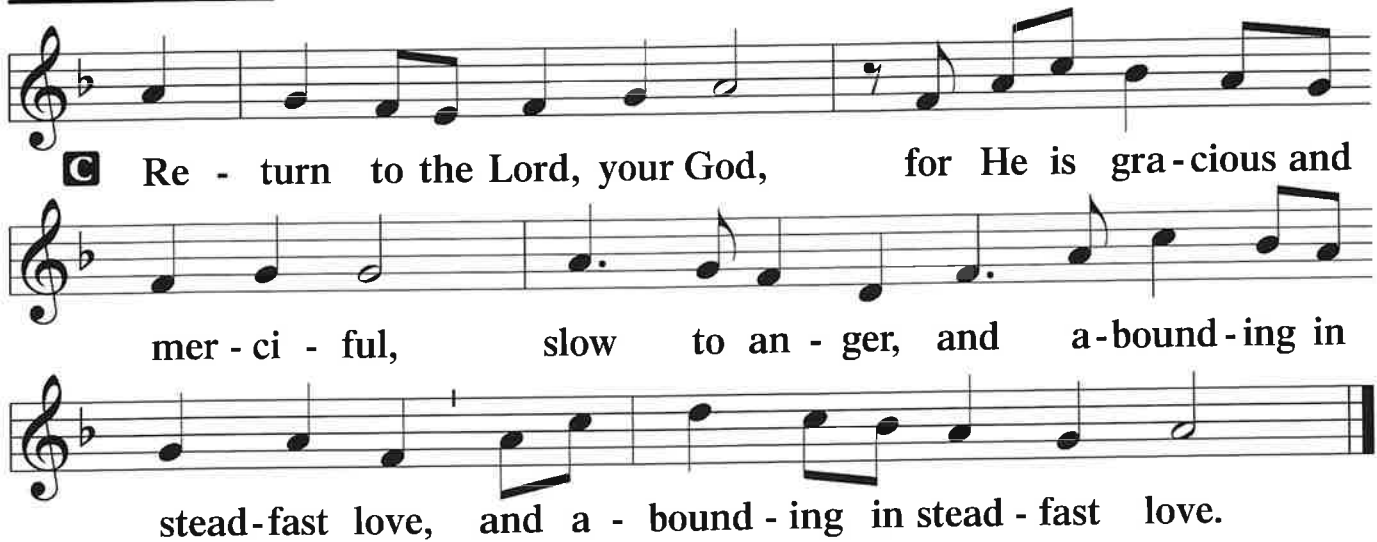
“In a favorable time I listened to you,
and in a day of salvation I have helped you.”

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

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

Verse for Lent

LSB 157



C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] “Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.

²“Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ³But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

⁵“And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. . . .

¹⁶“And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, ¹⁸that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

¹⁹“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, 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 ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: O Love, How Deep

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1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,
That God, the Son of God, should take
Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!

*Choir: For us He prayed; for us He taught;
For us His daily works He wrought,
By words and signs and actions thus
Still seeking not Himself but us.*

- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed,
For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
He bore the shameful cross and death;
For us He gave His dying breath.
- 6 For us He rose from death again;
For us He went on high to reign;
For us He sent His Spirit here
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

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Sermon

Offering



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Prayer of the Church

Psalm 51:12, 15

P Let us bring our requests to God, whose love knows no bounds...
For all who do not know our loving Lord, that He would bring the news of Christ to their ears, strengthen them in faith, and urge them to live in love, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the church, that God would open doors of opportunity for leaders and members to proclaim the Gospel, that schisms within it be mended, that the faithful be protected in body and soul, and that all people of faith find joy in their ministry, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Where there is conflict and warfare between nations, that God would move leaders and citizens to seek peace with their neighbors and calm within their borders, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Where the old and young are forgotten, the sick and grieving ignored, and the needs of any are not met, that God would prosper the work of farmers and ranchers, relief agencies and civic leaders to provide for their needs, [*and especially . . .*], let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For each of us, that our service to God, our concern for one another, and the mission He puts before us be joyful endeavors we seek for the growth of the church and glory of God, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.


P These and all else that we need we lift up to you in Jesus' name, who lives and reigns with You and the holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface


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P The Lord be with you.



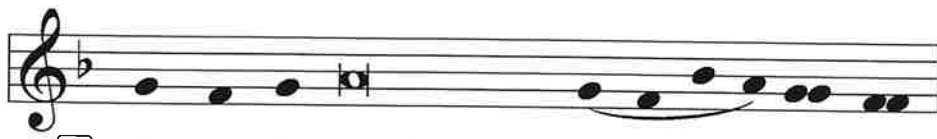
C And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, 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 overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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

LSB 161



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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
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.**

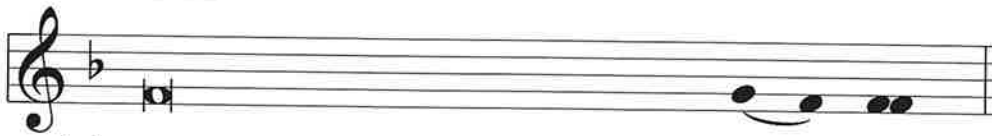
The Words of Our Lord

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

LSB 163



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

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C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymn: Love in Christ Is Strong and Living

LSB 706



1 Love in Christ is strong and liv - ing, Bind - ing faith - ful
2 Love is pa - tient and for - bear - ing, Clothed in Christ's hu -
3 Love in Christ a - bides for - ev - er, Faint - ing not when



hearts in one; Love in Christ is true and giv - ing.
mil - i - ty, Gen - tle, self - less, kind, and car - ing,
ills at - tend; Love, for - giv - ing and for - giv - en,



May His will in us be done.
Reach - ing out in char - i - ty.
Shall en - dure un - til life's end.

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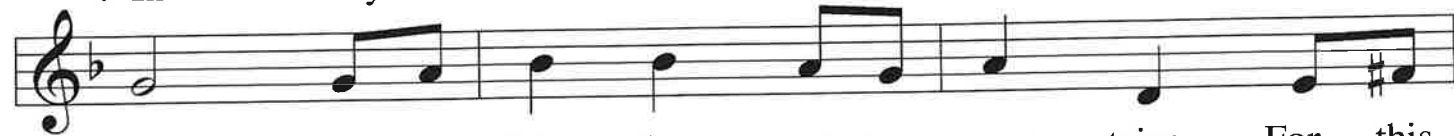
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Distribution Hymn: Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels

LSB 695



1 Not for tongues of heav - en's an - gels, Not for wis - dom to dis -
2 Love is hum - ble, love is gen - tle, Love is ten - der, true, and
3 Nev - er jeal - ous, nev - er self - ish, Love will not re - joice in
4 In the day this world is fad - ing Faith and hope will play their



cern, Not for faith that mas - ters moun - tains, For this
kind; Love is gra - cious, ev - er pa - tient, Gen - er -
wrong; Nev - er boast - ful nor re - sent - ful, Love be -
part; But when Christ is seen in glo - ry Love shall



bet - ter gift we yearn: May love be ours, O Lord.
ous of heart and mind: May love be ours, O Lord.
lieves and suf - fers long: May love be ours, O Lord.
reign in ev - 'ry heart: May love be ours, O Lord.

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Distribution Hymn: As Rebels, Lord, Who Foolishly Have Wandered *LSB 612*



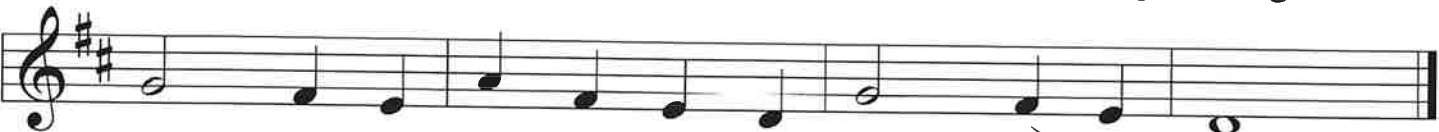
1 As reb - els, Lord, who fool - ish - ly have wan - dered
2 Still we re - turn, our con - trite words re - hears - ing,
3 A feast of love for us You are pre - par - ing;



Far from Your love— un - fed, un - clean, un - clothed—
Speech, that with - in Your warm em - brace soon dies;
We who were lost, You give an hon - ored place!



Dare we re - call Your wealth so rash - ly squan - dered,
All of our guilt, our shame, our pain re - vers - ing
“Come, eat; come, drink, and be no more de - spair - ing—



Dare hope to glean that boun - ty which we loathed?
As tears of joy and wel - come fill Your eyes.
Here taste a - gain the trea - sures of My grace.”

Text: Stephen P. Starke, 1955

Tune: Jeffrey N. Blerch, 1967

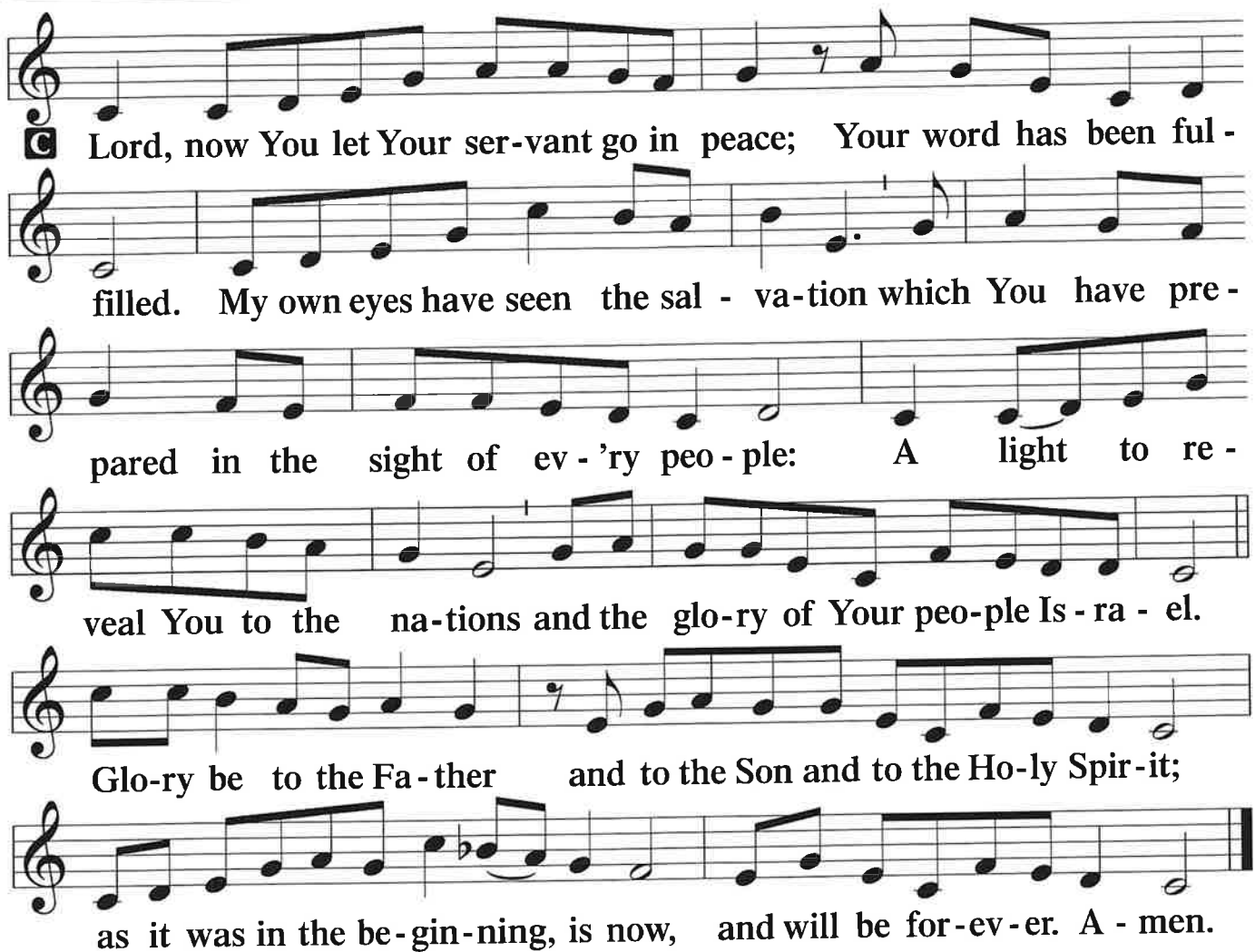
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The Dismissal

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.



C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to reveal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Post-Communion Collect

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 A - men.

Benediction

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A - men.

Hymn: O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

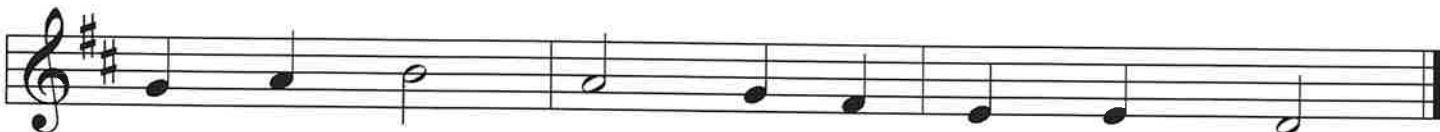
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1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days You
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and You won; Your
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet You prayed And
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, And



prayed and kept the fast; In - spire re - pen - tance
faith - ful - ness en - dured; Lend us Your nerve, Your
fixed Your mind a - bove; So teach us to de -
all our earth - ly days, That when the fi - nal



for our sin, And free us from our past.
skill and trust In God's e - ter - nal Word.
ny our - selves, Since we have known God's love.
Eas - ter dawns, We join in heav - en's praise.

Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–98; para. Gilbert E. Doan, 1930–2024

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Postlude: Abide with Me

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OUR PRAYERS:

Called Home:

Hospitalized: Darlette Strand

Cancer Treatment: Tim Andree

Treatment and/or testing: Lyle Fluegge (grandpa to Jess Klinger)

Prayer for continued recovery and healing and Thanksgiving: Sheila Hogetvedt, Chantel Fogal, Loren Frink

Illness: Cindy Kuschel, Chuck Scheuttte

Those who are sick and/or in need and wish to remain unnamed.

All the service men & women who are serving in the military: Gavin Doering, Jacob Lemmen, Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Josiah Nieves, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson

Waseca Circuit Missionaries: Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan) & John Wolff (Kenya)

Those affected by Natural disasters

Save the Date

Wednesday Feb. 18th: *ASH WEDNESDAY*. Service at 6pm

Meal: 4:45-5:45pm hosted by Board of Ed serving SOUPS

Friday Feb. 20th: Hot Beef Commercial Drive Thru 5pm – 6:30pm

Saturday Feb. 21st: Bean Bag Tournament @ The Mill hosted by the Youth Mission Trip Team. Keep an eye out for more details

LWML Winter Retreat at St Paul. 8:30am registration

Wednesday Feb. 25th: 29er's at 11:30 am at Tasty House

Sunday March 1st: Pork Chop Dinner. Tickets go on sale today

A Stewardship Note

QCD: Have you heard of it? Here is a definition with a further explanation to follow.

It stands for Qualified Charitable Distribution. If you have a traditional IRA and are required to take an annual distribution this MAY apply to you.

Let's assume you have been thinking about your giving to our church. You would like to donate more but realize you can't really afford to donate more.

Here is good news if you fit the above about a traditional IRA and your age there is a requirement in regard to IRA's that you must take a required minimum distribution each year even if you don't need it. This RMD is taxable.

BUT the good news is that if you use the QCD approach, you can have the RMD sent directly from the financial institution to your charity (as it would apply here, it would be church) without being taxed. It doesn't cost you anymore because you must take the RMD regardless of your situation.

This is only a suggestion from the Board of Stewardship. If this applies to you, we suggest you contact your financial advisor or tax professional for exact details.

Thank you from the Board of Stewardship for considering this.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: February 15th, 2026 – February 22nd, 2026

Sunday (15th):

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Communion (Facebook Live and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
10:15 am Sunday School AND Adult Bible Study with Coffee hour

Monday (16th):

10am Prayer Team
7pm Bible and Brew

Tuesday (17th):

1pm QUILTERS
*** NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE****

Wednesday (18th): ASH WEDNESDAY

9:30am Women's Bible Study
3:30pm CONFIRMATION Class today for grades 6th – 8th followed by Youth Group
4:45p – 5:45p Lenten Supper
6pm Ash Wednesday Service
7pm SENIOR CHOIR

Thursday (19th):

6am Bible Study at Johnnie Beans

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SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

THIS WEEK: February 22nd, 2026:

ORGANIST: Sarah Lieske
ACOLYTE: Owen Arndt, Griffin Arndt
GREETER: Elianna Grannis
RADIO MONITOR: Ron Wood
FACEBOOK: Cindy Gilmore
ELDER: Tim Arndt
DEACON: Jim Wyffels

Wed. Feb. 25th

Sarah and Cindy
Kameron & Roc
Arianna Vasser

Deb Roemhildt
Tim Arndt
Jim Wyffels

NEXT WEEK: March 1st, 2026:

ORGANIST: Mathias Barents
ACOLYTE: Tyler Ryan, Hayden Allen
GREETER: Charolette Ross
RADIO MONITOR: Kevin Dirks
FACEBOOK: Miciah Grannis
ELDER: Jim Wyffels
DEACON: Jerry Flogstad