

# THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

March 2, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

**Prelude** “Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now” -Paul Manz

“Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven” -setting by John A. Behnke

Confession and Absolution

**Hymn of Invocation: “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”**

*LSB 549*



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;  
2 Crown Him, ye mar-tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;  
3 Ye seed of Is-rael's cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,  
4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da-vid's line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.  
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.  
The God in - car-nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.



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5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
The wormwood and the gall,  
Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
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And crown Him Lord of all.

6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,  
On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
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And crown Him Lord of all.

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
 We at His feet may fall!  
 We'll join the everlasting song  
 And crown Him Lord of all.  
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 And crown Him Lord of all.

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

**C** Amen.

**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.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**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.

## Service of the Word

### Introit

(The congregation will chant the verses in **bold**.)



*Psalm 84:1–2, 9, 11; antiphon: v. 4*

Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,\*  
 ever sing- | ing your praise!

**How lovely is your | dwelling place,\***

**O | LORD of hosts!**

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the LORD,\*  
 my heart and flesh sing for joy to the | living God.

**Behold our shield, | O God,\***

**look on the face of your a- | nointed!**

For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and | honor.\*

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk up- | rightly.

**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.**

Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,\*

ever sing- | ing your praise!

## Kyrie

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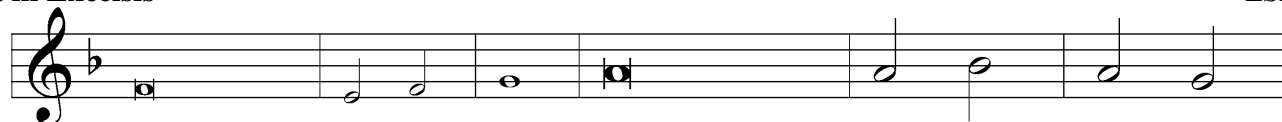
**☐** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



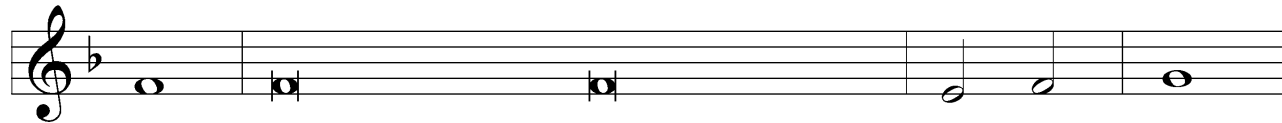
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

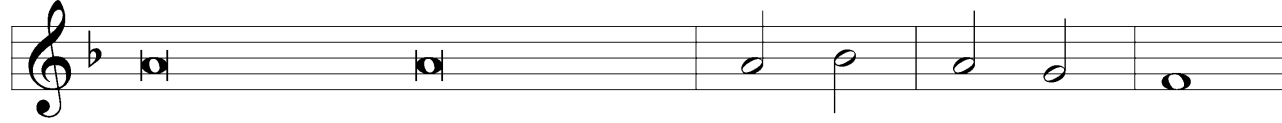
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**☐** Glory be to God on high: **☐** and on earth peace, good - will toward




men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,




we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



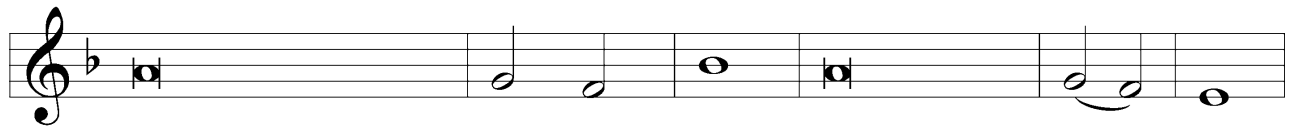
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



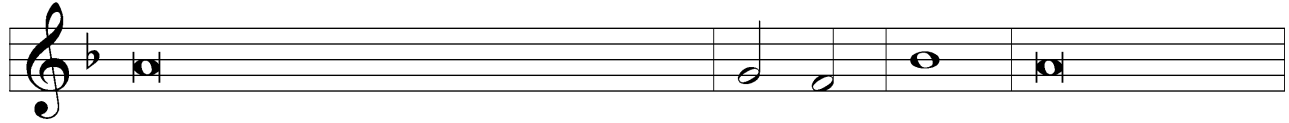
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



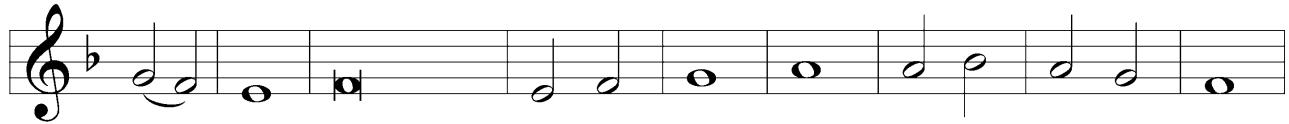
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



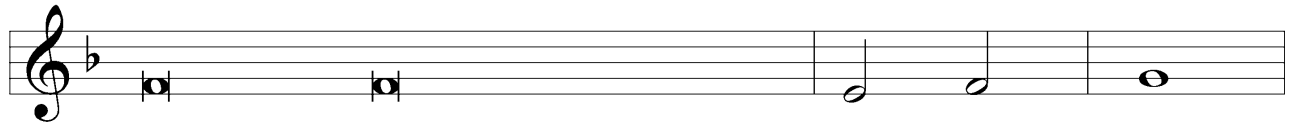
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



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

*Transfiguration*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray. O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

#### Old Testament Reading

*Deuteronomy 32:48–52 and 34:1–12*

That very day the Lord spoke to Moses, “Go up this mountain of the Abarim, Mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, opposite Jericho, and view the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the people of Israel for a possession. And die on the mountain which you go up, and be gathered to your people, as Aaron your brother died in Mount Hor and was gathered to his people, because you broke faith with me in the midst of the people of Israel at the waters of Meribah-kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin, and because you did not treat me as holy in the midst of the people of Israel. For you shall see the land before you, but you shall not go there, into the land that I am giving to the people of Israel.” ... Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and

Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. And the LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, ‘I will give it to your offspring.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there.” So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended. And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

*Psalm 99; antiphon: v. 9*

*(The congregation will chant the verses in **bold**.)*



Exalt the LORD our God,  
and worship at his holy | mountain; \*  
for the LORD our God is | holy!

**The LORD reigns; let the peoples | tremble! \***  
**He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the | earth quake!**

The LORD is great in | Zion; \*  
he is exalted over all the | peoples.

**Let them praise your great and | awesome name! \***  
**Ho- | ly is he!**

The King in his might loves | justice. \*  
You have established equity;  
you have executed justice  
and righteousness in | Jacob.

**Exalt the LORD our God;**  
**worship at his | footstool! \***  
**Ho- | ly is he!**

Moses and Aaron were among his priests,  
Samuel also was among those who called up- | on his name. \*  
They called to the LORD, and he | answered them.

**In the pillar of the cloud he | spoke to them; \***  
**they kept his testimonies**  
**and the statute that he | gave them.**

O LORD our God, you | answered them; \*  
you were a forgiving God to them,  
but an avenger of their wrong- | doings.

Exalt the LORD our God,  
and worship at his holy | mountain; \*  
for the LORD our God is | holy!

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.

Exalt the LORD our God,  
and worship at his holy | mountain; \*  
for the LORD our God is | holy!

## Epistle

*Hebrews 3:1–6*

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia and Verse

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**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 9:28–36*

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

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!” And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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 Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

## Hymn of the Day: "'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"

LSB 414



1	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here!	Thy
2	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here,	Thy
3	Ful -	fill -	er	of	the	past	And
4	Be -	fore	we	taste	of	death,	We
5	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here!	Yet



glo - ry	fills	the	night;	Thy	face	and	gar - ments,
beau - ty	to	be -	hold	Where	Mo -	ses	and E -
hope	of	things	to be,	We	hail	Thy	bod - y
see	Thy	king -	dom	come;	We	long	to hold
we	may	not	re -	main;	But	since	Thou bidst
							us



like	the	sun,	Shine	with	un -	bor -	rowed	light.
li -	jah	stand,	Thy	mes -	sen -	gers	of	old.
glo -	ri -	fied	And	our	re -	demp -	tion	see.
vi -	sion	bright	And	make	this	hill	our	home.
leave	the	mount,	Come	with	us	to	the	plain.

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## Sermon

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

## Offertory

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**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 “Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word” -Paul Manz

*We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you enter the sanctuary, or as the offering plates are passed at this time.*

## Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament



**P** The Lord be with you.



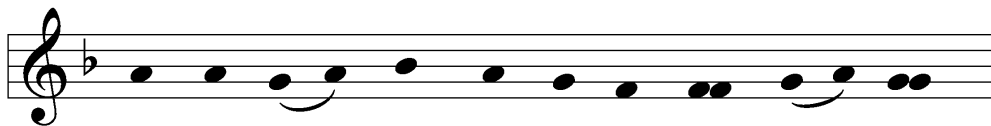
**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus



**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,



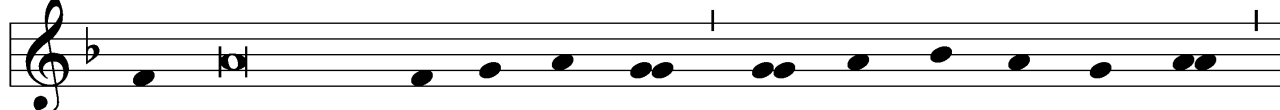
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



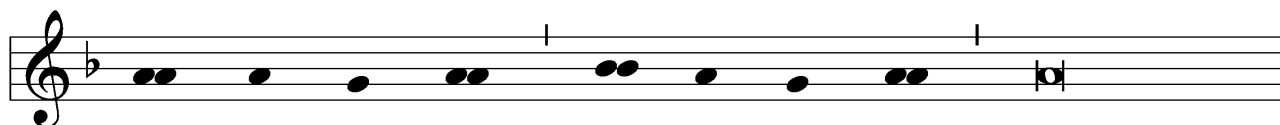
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

**Lord's Prayer** (*may be spoken*)

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**P** Our Father who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,



Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it



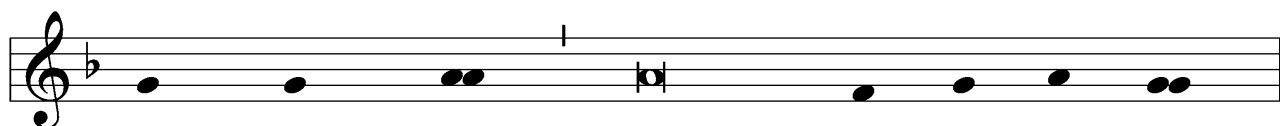
is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly bread;



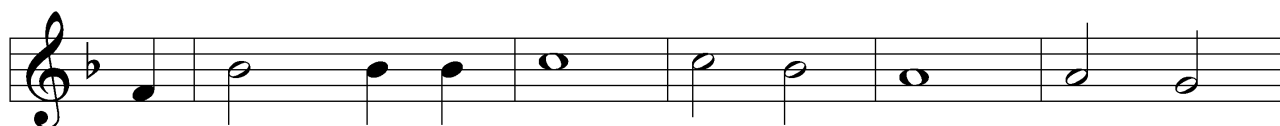
and forgive us our tres - pass - es as we forgive those who



tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to



temp - ta - tion, but deliver us from e - vil.



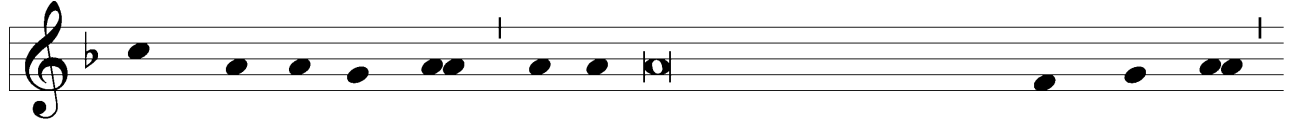
**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



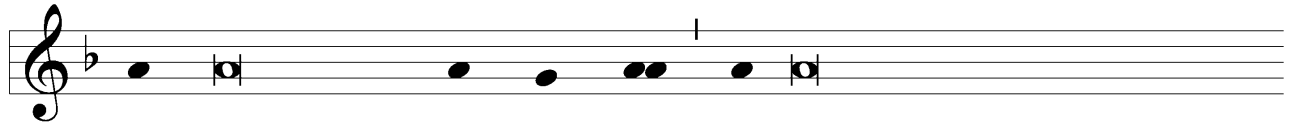
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

**The Words of Our Lord**

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**P** Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,



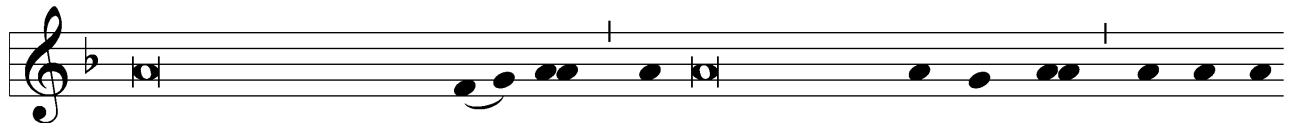
and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the



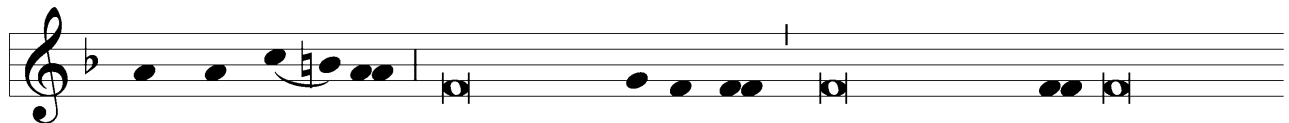
dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ bod - y, which is giv-en for you.



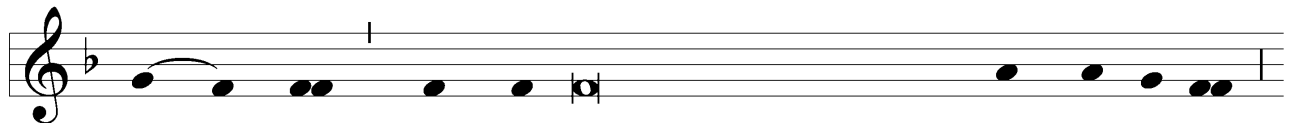
This do in re-mem - brance of Me." In the same way al - so



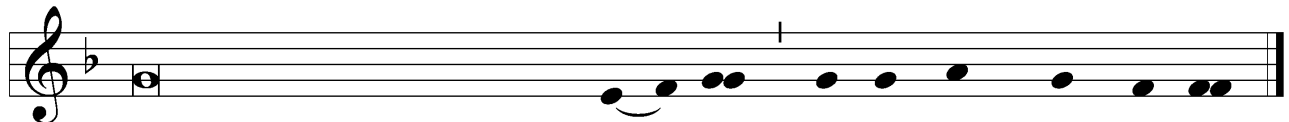
He took the cup after sup - per, and when He had giv-en thanks, He gave it



to them, say - ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in



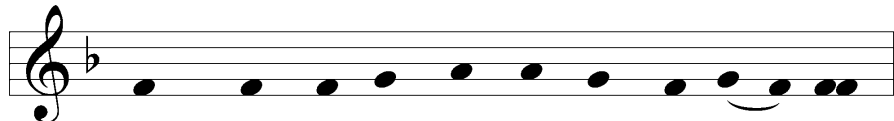
My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.



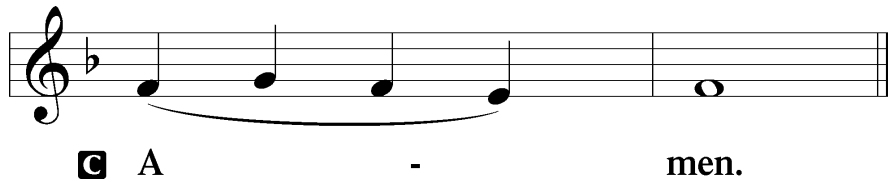
This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me."

**Pax Domini**

*LSB 197*



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



## Agnus Dei

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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, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

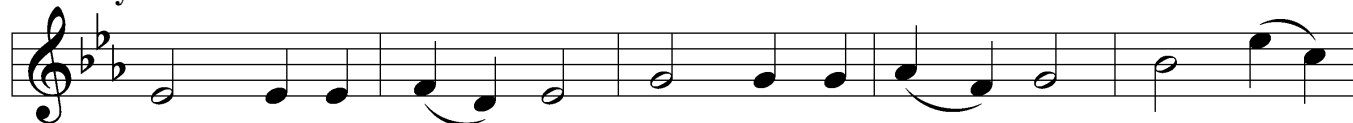
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*You are invited to receive the Lord's Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*

*Communion is offered in two ways: the individual cup and the common cup. If you would like the individual cup, please partake as the assistant minister passes by after Pastor gives the bread. If you would like the common cup, let the assistant minister pass by, open your hands palm up, and Pastor will return to give you the common cup.*

Distribution Hymn: “Beautiful Savior”

LSB 537



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd  
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is  
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines  
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.  
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.  
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

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Hymn “Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise”

LSB 680



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -  
2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the  
3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the  
4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the  
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



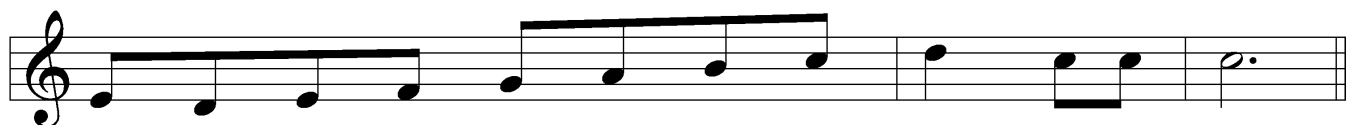
lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head  
prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree  
ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee  
won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise  
dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the  
Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the  
Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the  
rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the  
sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the  
sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the  
ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine-yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.  
splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

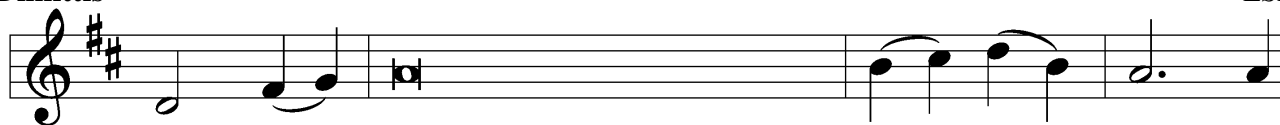
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### Nunc Dimittis

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**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 with - out end. A-men.

# Thanksgiving

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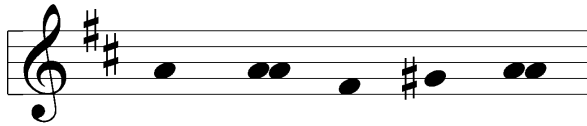
**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**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.

## Salutation

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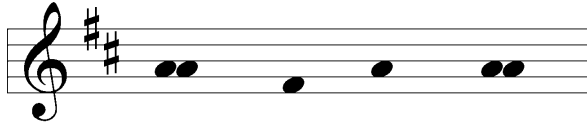
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

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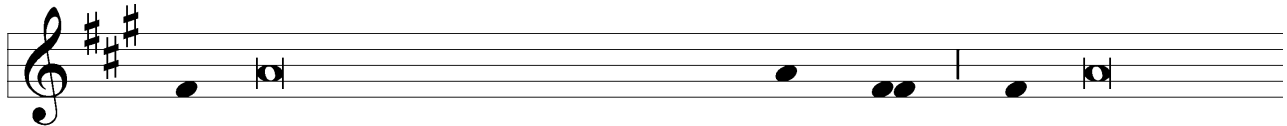
**A** Bless we the Lord.



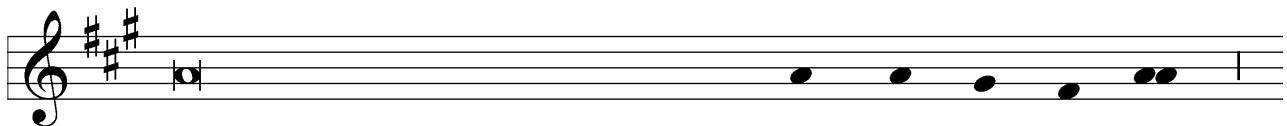
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

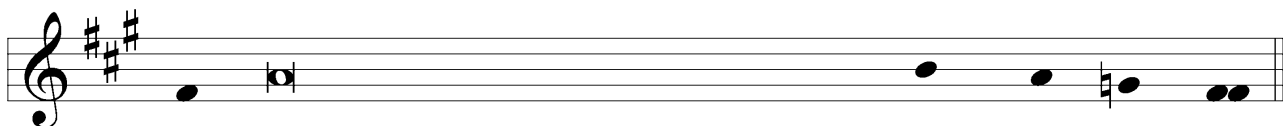
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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om -  
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the



scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the  
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is  
 earth our food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the  
 nip - o - tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of  
 scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the



tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.  
 near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.  
 sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.  
 Mar - y, Earth Your foot - stool, heav'n Your throne.  
 tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der  
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the  
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re -  
 As with - in the veil You en - tered, Robed in  
 Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der



like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of  
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -  
 deem - er, hear our plea Where the songs of  
 flesh, our great High Priest, Here on earth both  
 like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of



ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."  
get His prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."

Text: William C. Dix, 1837–98, alt.

Tune: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–87

Text and tune: Public domain

**Postlude** Fanfare on “All Hail the Power of Jesus Name” -arr. Janet Linker

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Worship 9:30 a.m.

**You are encouraged to take a walk this week with the Lord by reading Galatians. May the Lord make your heart burn with joy at the Good News and your place in His Kingdom!**

**GENEROSITY THOUGHTS:** *Luke 9:36 – “And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone.”* Moses and Elijah point to Jesus, speak about Jesus and His sacrifice, and then are happy to fade into the background. They know that what we need is Jesus. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone, the rest of our lives comes into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place. Or as Jesus Himself said, “Seek first the kingdom of God ... and all these things will be added unto you” (Matt. 6:33).

**LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICES:** Ash Wednesday is March 5 this year and Emmaus will have 11:30 and 6:30 services. For the rest of the Wednesday Lenten services, Emmaus will host the 11:30 service and the evening service will be at Jehovah.

**LENTEN MEALS:** We are going to try to serve simple Lenten meals after the 11:30 services again this year starting with March 12. If you are willing to help out by providing food and set up, or clean up, please sign up in the narthex. We appreciate any help you can give. If you have questions, feel free to call or text Pam N.

**COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT:** On April 12 at 10:30 a.m., we will be doing a community Easter Egg Hunt to share the Easter message and to serve our neighborhood. At this stage, we are looking for people who are interested in helping with some of the planning and implementation of it. Later we will need help stuffing eggs, setting up, cleaning up, and running the event. If you would like to help with this, please talk with Pastor Kooi.

**LENTEN READING PLAN:** For the season of Lent, a historic tradition is to give up something. This season, let's try something different: adding something. And what would that be? The Word of God! From Ash Wednesday until Easter, we will be going through a reading plan that highlights key Old Testament passages, goes through six letters of Paul, and two Gospels. If you have any questions on the readings, please reach out to Pastor Kooi, or bring them to Bible class on Sunday morning.

**HEAR "THE LUTHERAN HOUR"** on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week's broadcast: "Unless a Grain of Wheat Dies" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Do you want a life that amounts to more than a hill o' beans? Hear how Christ's death and resurrection gives us life with God that can't be measured. (John 12:24)

**CELEBRATING 300 YEARS OF THE MUSIC OF JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH:** 300 years ago, the great Lutheran composer Johann Sebastian Bach gave his wife a set of music notebooks. She used them for herself, but also to teach their many children. Children today still play from these notebooks. Saint James Lutheran Church is hosting a series of events in March to celebrate this anniversary. They include a masterclass on Bach's keyboard music (3/22 at 2:00 p.m.), a Community Bach Birthday Concert (3/22 at 3:00 p.m.), and a lecture / demonstration recital on the Anna Magdalena Notebooks (3/29 at 3:30 p.m.). Children and adults alike will enjoy these events. They will be held at Saint James Lutheran Church, 460 Annapolis St. W., West St. Paul, MN 55118. For details, visit the Celebrate the Birthday page at [www.bachsocietymn.org](http://www.bachsocietymn.org) or the Music Events page at [www.saintjameslutheran.com](http://www.saintjameslutheran.com).

**COMMUNITY BACH BIRTHDAY CONCERT:** Saint James Lutheran Church is inviting musicians of all ages and levels of ability to participate in a special Community Bach Birthday Concert at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 22. Students of any level (beginning to advanced), music teachers, amateurs, and professionals are invited to share their musical gifts. Musicians who would like to perform should fill out the online Musician Application Form. The concert will be held at Saint James Lutheran Church, 460 Annapolis St. W., West St. Paul, MN 55118. For details, visit the Celebrate the Birthday page at [www.bachsocietymn.org](http://www.bachsocietymn.org) or the Music Events page at [www.saintjameslutheran.com](http://www.saintjameslutheran.com).

**SAVE THE DATE ~ SAVE YOUR STUFF:** The King of Kings 2025 Spring Recycle Sale will be Saturday, May 31 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Sponsored by: King of Kings Women's Ministry. Mark your calendars. More information to come.

**CA SPRING MUSICAL:** Concordia Academy presents its 2025 spring musical, *Guys and Dolls*, on March 7, 8, 14, and 15 at 7:00 p.m. and March 9 and 16 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets for Premium Seating are \$14 for adults and \$12 for students and senior citizens. Standard seating is \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and senior citizens. All seats are reserved. Get more information and purchase tickets at [www.concordiaacademy.com/musical](http://www.concordiaacademy.com/musical).

**CA MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK REGISTRATION:** Students in Grades 5-8 are invited to participate in Concordia Academy's BEAMS track program, which includes short sprints, long-distance running, throwing, jumping, and hurdling. Visit [www.concordiaacademy.com/beams](http://www.concordiaacademy.com/beams) to get details and register.

**CA SUMMER CAMPS:** Looking for unforgettable summer fun? Students entering Grades 1-12 can unleash creativity, develop skills, and have a blast at Concordia Academy Summer Camps. With more than 30 athletics, arts, and STEM camps for students entering Grades 1-12, there's something for everyone. Get all the details and register at [www.concordiaacademy.com/camps](http://www.concordiaacademy.com/camps).

**THIS WEEK AT EMMAUS:**

Today: 9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

Tues: Limited office hours

Wed: Ash Wednesday

Bulletin Deadline

11:30 a.m. Worship

6:30 p.m. Worship

Fri: Office closed – call Pastor in emergencies

Sat: 12-5 p.m. Organist Rehearsal

Next Sunday: Daylight Saving Time begins

9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

**SERVING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY:**

PASTOR: Rev. Nick Kooi

ALTAR GUILD: Christine S

ORGANIST: Barb B

SOUND TECH: Ken N

VIDEO TECH: Don V

WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Dave H

USHERS: Ken K, Greg W

COUNTERS: Marilyn P, Roxann M

LECTOR: Paul D

GREETER: Jan N

ACOLYTE: Corran L