

January 12, 2025

Welcome

The Hymn of Invocation

794 The Lord, My God, Be Praised

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| <p>1 The Lord, my God, be praised,
My light, my life from heaven;
My maker, who to me
Has soul and body given;
My Father, who will shield
And keep me day by day
And make each moment yield
New blessings on my way.</p> | <p>3 The Lord, my God, be praised,
My hope, my life from heaven,
The Spirit, whom the Son
In love to me has given.
His grace revives my heart
And gives my spirit pow'r,
Help, comfort, and support
In sorrow's gloomy hour.</p> |
| <p>2 The Lord, my God, be praised,
My trust, my life from heaven,
The Father's own dear Son,
Whose life for me was given,
Who for my sin atoned
With His most precious blood
And gives to me by faith
The highest heav'nly good.</p> | <p>4 The Lord, my God, be praised,
My God, the ever-living,
To whom the heav'nly host
Their laud and praise are giving.
The Lord, my God, be praised,
In whose great name I boast,
God Father, God the Son,
And God the Holy Ghost.</p> |

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Invocation and Confession of Sins.....(pg. 151 in Lutheran Service Book)

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

Amen.

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

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.)

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

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.

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 the Word I therefore announce the full forgiveness of all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Kyrie.....(pg. 152 in Lutheran Service Book)

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

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

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

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.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

♪ **Amen.**

Hymn Of Praise.....(pg. 155 in Lutheran Service Book)

This is the Feast of Victory

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

♪ **And also with you.**

Let us Pray: Direct us, O Lord, in all our actions by your gracious favor so that, with your continual help, all our works, begun, continued and ended in your name may continually glorify your holy name; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Old Testament

Isaiah 55:8-9

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the Lord. “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Galatians 4:4-7

But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons. Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “Abba, Father.” So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Verse.....(pg. 156 in Lutheran Service Book)

♪ **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Gospel

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

♪ Glory to you, O Lord.

When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. “Get up,” he said, “take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him.”

So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

After Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who were trying to take the child’s life are dead.”

So he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee, and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets: “He will be called a Nazarene.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

♪ Praise to you, O Christ.

Object Lesson

The Hymn of the Day

729 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

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| 1 | I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,
Trusting only Thee;
Trusting Thee for full salvation,
Great and free. | 4 | I am trusting Thee to guide me;
Thou alone shalt lead,
Ev’ry day and hour supplying
All my need. |
| 2 | I am trusting Thee for pardon;
At Thy feet I bow,
For Thy grace and tender mercy
Trusting now. | 5 | I am trusting Thee for power;
Thine can never fail.
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me
Must prevail. |
| 3 | I am trusting Thee for cleansing
In the crimson flood;
Trusting Thee to make me holy
By Thy blood. | 6 | I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
Never let me fall.
I am trusting Thee forever
And for all. |

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Sermon

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 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.

The Prayers *[If you need information to send a card or call to someone for whom we prayed, please contact Pastor John.]*

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus
And for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers:

Lord in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray:

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.

Our offerings help to support:

The Round Pantry

The Offertory.....(*sung to #955 in the Lutheran Service Book*)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

The Preface.....(*pg. 160 in Lutheran Service Book*)

The Lord be with you.

♪ **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

♪ **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

♪ **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us children of men and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the redemption you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts that he may establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to remember our Redeemer and receive him who comes to us in his body and blood.

Jesus' Instruction for Holy Communion

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

The Agnus Dei.....(pg. 163 in Lutheran Service Book)

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

[If your body does not tolerate alcohol, the back row of the individual cups are grape juice.]

The Distribution Hymns

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

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| 1 | I come, O Savior, to Thy table,
For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able
To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain | 3 | Unworthy though I am, O Savior,
Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,
For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain |
| 2 | Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning
That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;
So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain | 4 | Weary am I and heavy laden;
With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
Receive me graciously and gladden
My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain |
| | 5 | | What higher gift can we inherit?
It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit,
The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain |
| | ref | | Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good! |

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575 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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| 1 | My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim
But wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain | 2 | When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain |
| | ref | | On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand. |

3 His oath, His covenant and blood
Support me in the raging flood;
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain

4 When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne! Refrain

ref On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

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The body and blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the faith to life everlasting. Go in peace.

Amen.

The Post Communion Canticle.....(pg. 164 in *Lutheran Service Book*)

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name.

He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy

With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this good 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.

Amen.

Benediction

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.

♪ **Amen.**

The Final Hymn

643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

1 Sent forth by God's blessing,
Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The Supper is ended.
O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching,
Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us,
His love shall unite us
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving
To God ever-living,
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing,
In love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us,
With Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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Server Schedule

	1/12	1/19	1/26
	8:30	8:30	8:30
Elder	Gordon	Greg	Edwin
Reader	Amy	Bob	Dianna
PowerPoint	Dan	Gordon	Lisa
Organ	Linda	Linda	Linda
Audio	Steve	Steve	Steve
Visuals	Preston	Edwin	Amy
	10:30	10:30	10:30
Elder	Bill	Dan	Erik
Reader	Cole	Rosemary	Kathy
PowerPoint	Erik	Vicki	Cole
Audio/Visuals	Conor/Edwin	Amy/Preston	Mike/Conor
Counters	John Da/James	Adria/Michelle	John Di/Wayne
	Both	Both	Both
Altar Guild	Ron/Barb	Royce/Paula	Williams/Koob
Altar Flowers	Bergs	Clarks	Spachts

Altar flowers are given by Bill and Claudia Berg, in celebration of their 48th wedding anniversary.

Birthdays this Week

01/15 Amy Magyar
01/16 Brenda Sorenson
01/18 Wayne Kilian

Anniversaries this Week

01/15 Bill and Claudia Berg