

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Versicles

- **P** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- **C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- **P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- P Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
- **C** slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.
- **P** Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,
- **C** let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.
- P Christ was wounded for our transgressions.
- **C** He was bruised for our iniquities.
- **P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised. 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.

Please be seated.

Old Testament Canticle

C The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted."

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

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and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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First Reading

Luke 24:44-49

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

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

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

III. The Palace of the High Priest

Those who had arrested Jesus brought him to the high priest's house, where the scribes and elders were assembled. Peter followed him afar off, and so did another disciple. That disciple was known to the high priest and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest, but Peter stood outside at the door. So that other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the doorkeeper and brought Peter in. He went in and sat with the servants to see the end. He was warming himself at the fire they had kindled in the middle of the courtyard.

Meanwhile, the chief priests and the whole council were seeking evidence that might make the case for a death sentence, but they could not find any. Many bore false witness against him, but their statements did not agree. Two stepped forward and said, "We heard him say, 'I shall destroy this temple made with hands and after three days I shall build another, not made with hands." But even on this point their evidence did not agree.

Then the high priest stood up, moved to the center, and put this question to Jesus, "Do you have no answer? What is this evidence they have given against you?" But he was silent and gave no answer.

Again the high priest put a question to him and said, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?"

Jesus said, "I am. You will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of God's power and coming with the clouds of heaven."

The high priest tore his garments and said, "Do we still need any witnesses? You have heard this blasphemy. What is your opinion?" They all agreed that he was deserving of death.

Then some of them began to spit on him; they blindfolded him, struck him, and said to him, "Prophesy to us, O Christ, who is it that struck you?" The guards beat him as they took him away.

Meanwhile Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. One of the maidservants of the high priest came and saw Peter warming himself. She looked at him closely as he sat in the light of the fire, and said, "You also were along with the man from Nazareth, that Jesus."

Peter denied it and said, "I do not know what you mean." He went out to the forecourt.

Another maidservant saw him there and said to those who were standing around, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth."

Peter denied it again with an oath, "I do not know the man."

A little later those standing around said to Peter, "Surely you are one of them. You are a Galilean. Your accent gives you away."

Peter started calling down curses on himself and swore, "I do not know the man."

And immediately while he was still speaking, the cock crowed a second time, and the Lord turned and looked on Peter. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." Peter broke down, and went out, and wept bitterly.

As soon as it was morning the chief priests with the elders and the scribes held the court session with all the Sanhedrin. Then they bound him, led him away, and turned him over to Pilate. Then Judas, who had betrayed him,

when he saw that he was condemned, was sorry and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying, "I have sinned. I have betrayed innocent blood."

They said, "What is that to us? That is your affair." Judas threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed. He went and hanged himself.

The chief priests took the silver pieces and said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood." They took counsel and bought with them the potter's field to bury strangers in. That is why to this day that field has been called "the field of blood."

In this way was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, "They took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him on whom a price had been set by the children of Israel, and gave them for the potter's field."

Responsory

- P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
- **C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- P Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- **C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
- **C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

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Catechism

Ten Commandments

- **C** You shall have no other gods.
 - You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
 - Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
 - Honor your father and your mother.
 - You shall not murder.
 - You shall not commit adultery.
 - You shall not steal.
 - You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
 - You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Creed

С

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.

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.

Please be seated.

Catechetical Review

The Third Article

P The First Article.

C 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.

P What does this mean?

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

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

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

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

This is most certainly true.

Sermon

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Rock 1 Built on the the Church shall stand Ε _ ven when 2 Sure - ly in tem ples made with hands God, the Most 3 We of God's liv Built for His are house ing stones, be Tell - ing 4 Here stands the font how fore our eyes, -5 Grant, then, 0 God, Your will be done, That, when the fall Crum - bled stee ples are ing. have spires in dwell High His High, is not ing; a bove earth hab own _ i ta tion. He through bap - tis mal -re - calls has Christ's God ceived The al - tar re us. church bells are ring ing, Man - y in sav - ing _ Bells call ev 'ry land; still are chim - ing and stands, All earth tem - ples ex - cel tem ple ly _ His owns Heirs of grace us won - drous sal - va what sac -And His ri - fice Sup - per here gives faith may come Where Christ His mes - sage bring is 10 0 ø ing, Call ing the and old young to rest, ling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n а bove Were His tell, tion. we but two name to Here tures claim sound the Scrip that pro us. _ _ Me. ing: "I know My own; My own know 10 But bove all the souls а dis tressed, -Choos es live with us in love, to dwell Yet He would deign with us to Christ day, day, the same, yes _ ter to _ _ shall You, not the world, My face see. ð Long - ing for rest last ing. ev er Mak ing bod His tem ple. our _ ies With all His grace and His fa vor. And ev er more, our Re deem er. men." My T leave with А peace you. Text: Nikolai Fredrik Severin Grundtvig, 1783–1872, abr.; tr. Carl Döving, 1867–1937, alt. Tune: Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–87 Text and tune: Public domain

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Prayer

- P In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- С Lord, have mercy.
- For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord: P
- Lord, have mercy. С
- For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel P and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- С Lord, have mercy.
- P For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- Lord, have mercy. С

- **P** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- ▶ For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

- P O Lord, You desire all people to come to the knowledge of the truth and to be saved, as You have made us Your dear children by grace through faith in Christ Jesus and His work for our salvation help us to see our great need of Your Means of Grace and lead us to seek them out as often as we have need, that we may daily and richly restored into a right relationship with You here in time and there in eternity; for the sake of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and our Savior.
- **C** Amen.

Collect of the Day

Collect for the Word

- P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

Please pray the prayer that is appropriate for the time of day that you are worshiping.

Luther's Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings in life may please You. For into You hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Luther's Evening Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into You hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Blessing

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
 Amen.

Please be seated.

602 The Gifts Christ Freely Gives 1 The gifts Christ free - ly gives He gives to you and me 2 The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own; 3 The gifts of peace From grace and ab - so - lu - tion flow; 4 The gifts there each The ho - ly Word is are day read; 10 То be His Church, His bride, His cho-sen, saved and free! gives that makes New life He Us His and His а lone. -The pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know. Re - ceive, and they God's chil-dren lis - ten, hear, are fed. 0. 0 Saints blest with these rich gifts pro - claim chil-dren who Are Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word: For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there; Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life, That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name. The tri - une God Him-self Lord. Gives pow'r to call Him The Lord of care. mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest Re - stor - ing and re-fresh - ing Them for this world's strife. The gifts are in the feast, 5 6 Gifts far more than we see; Beneath the bread and wine Is food from Calvary. The body and the blood Remove our ev'ry sin; We leave His presence in His peace, renewed again.

All glory to the One Who lavishes such love; The triune God in love Assures our life above. His means of grace for us Are gifts He loves to give; All thanks and praise for His Great love by which we live!

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