

Confession and Absolution

Please stand as you are able. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Exhortation

- **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

- **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.

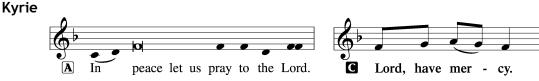
Absolution

- 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 +I Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Sharing the Peace

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

Service of the Word



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Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated.

Verse of the Month

- P Our service continues as we speak our Verse of the Month from Psalm One hundred thirty-nine, verses thirteen and fourteen.
- **C** For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. (Psalm 139:13-14)

First Reading

Acts 1:12-26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰"For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate,

and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"Let another take his office."

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

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

Psalmody

Psalm 1:1-6

- P Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
- **C** but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.
- P He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.
- **C** The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- **P** Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
- **C** for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish. 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.

Epistle

1 John 5:9–15

⁹If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. С

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Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter. P



[Jesus said:] "Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth."

PThis is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

Sermon

John 17:11b-19



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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.

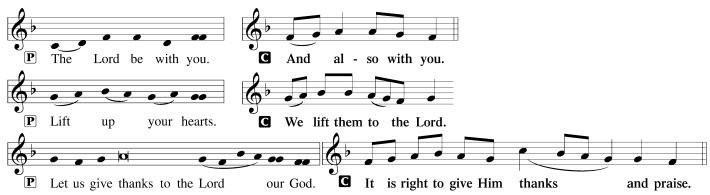
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

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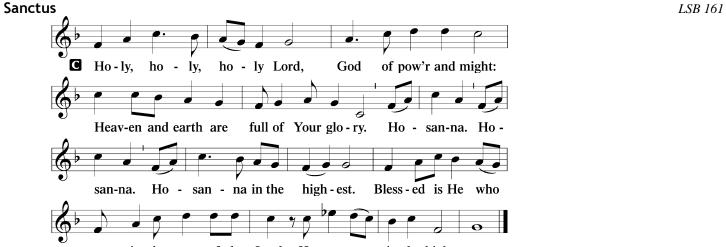
Service of the Sacrament

Preface



Proper Preface (Abbreviated)

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



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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your onlybegotten 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.

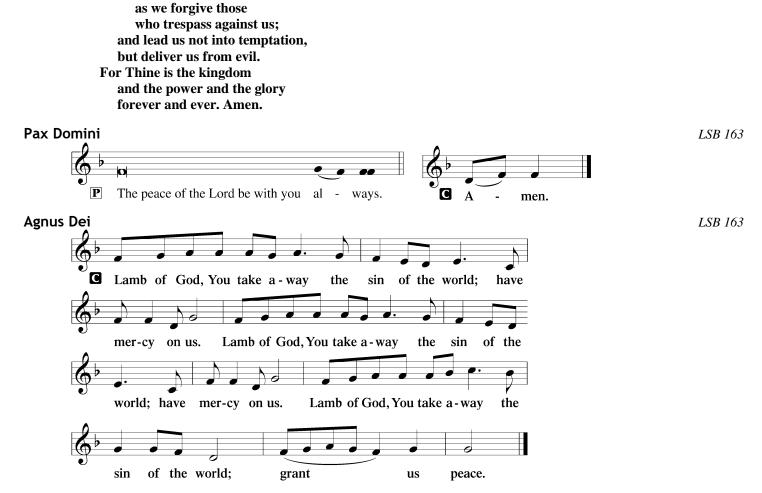
C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

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."

Proclamation of Christ

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:



Please be seated.

Lord's Prayer

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

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

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Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

Dismissal Statement

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace and joy.
- **C** Amen.

1 Lord Je -Christ, You This feast for sus have pre - pared 2 Al 3 Yet, though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an gel Sav - ior, You are not con - fined То an _ у 4 We Your this bread and drink this cious eat cup, pre _ tion: It Your bod our sal va is y hosts are dwell ing, And in Your pres - ence hab But ta You are i tion; pres - ent Word be liev That Your true bod _ ing - y 6 and Your blood, And at Your in vi tion _ ta they be hold Your all - ling, _ glo - ry, ex _ cel Here with Your e now con gre ga - tion. ven _ and Your blood Our lips are here re ceiv - ing. 7 with We souls, sin op-pressed, As wea ry come to ple though Your And peo shall not see Your glo - ry Un moved by Firm as а rock this truth shall stand. This Word re mains for ev er true. All things are You for need - ed rest, par - don. For com - fort, and for and Your Till dawns the morn - ing, maj - es - ty judg - ment an - y pos - si Or dar - ing hand sub - tle craft and cun - ning. Al - might - y. ble with You, For You are Lord 5 7 Grant that we worthily receive Though reason cannot understand, Yet faith this truth embraces: Your supper, Lord, our Savior, And, truly grieving for our sins, Your body, Lord, is even now At once in many places. May prove by our behavior I leave to You how this can be: That we are thankful for Your grace Your Word alone suffices me; And day by day may run our race, I trust its truth unfailing. In holiness increasing. Lord, I believe what You have said; 8 For Your consoling supper, Lord, 6 Help me when doubts assail me. Be praised throughout all ages! Remember that I am but dust, Preserve it, for in ev'ry place The world against it rages. And let my faith not fail me. Your supper in this vale of tears Grant that this sacrament may be Refreshes me and stills my fears A blessèd comfort unto me And is my priceless treasure. When living and when dying. Text: Samuel Kinner, 1603–68; tr. Emanuel Cronenwett, 1841–1931, alt. Tune: Peter Sohren, c. 1630-c. 1692, alt.

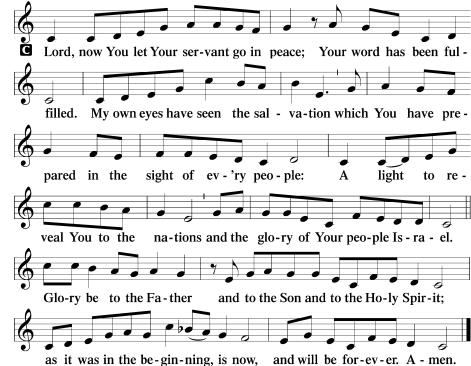
622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

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617 O Lord, We Praise Thee praise dore Thee, Thee, Thee, and a -10 Lord, we bless ho - ly bod God be - stow giv - en, fa - vor 2 Thy bod in to death was -У -3 May His grace and on us \bigcirc 6 thanks - giv - ing fore Thee. Thou with Thy In bow be Life to win for great - er us in heav _ en. No That we fol - low Christ our And live to -Sav ior . • Thy blood didst nour - ish bod - y and Our weak souls that love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this Θ 6 Lord, have mer Lord, have mer flour they may ish: 0 cy! of re mind us! 0 _ cy! blest Com - mu nion! 0 Lord, have mer cy! -_ C Ø May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar That our у, Lord, Thy kind - ness Thee Thy did That con - strain \mathbf{so} Let not Thy good Spir it for - sake Grant that us: 0 And Thy sins and sor - rows did car - ry, blood for us plead blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid; heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see 0 ø 0 all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer In _ cy! Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer cy! Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer cy! Text: tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; (st. 1): German, 14th cent.; (sts. 2–3): Martin Luther, 1483–1546 Tune: Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, 1524, Wittenberg, ed. Johann Walter Text: © 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110002260

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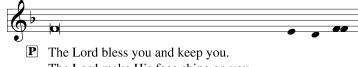
Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



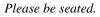
Benediction



The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.





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587 I Know My Faith Is Founded my found ed On Je - sus Christ, my 1 I know faith is -2 In - crease my faith, dear Sav ior, For Sa - tan seeks by -3 In faith, Lord, let You; Though per - se - cu - tion, me serve God Lord; And this faith Un and my con - fess ing, То rob And night and day of trea me this sure Should seek ver - whelm grief, and pain to 0 me, Let moved I stand His sure Word. Our on rea son can not But, Lord, take my hope of bliss a - way. with You be de stead - fast And then me trust re - tain; at my а fath om The truth of God pro-found; Who trusts in hu - man shall un - dis - mayed; And led by Your good side me, I be par _ ture, Lord, take me home to You, Your rich - es to in -0 wis dom Re - lies on shift - ing ground. God's Word is un - a fraid. I shall bide with Spir it, be А _ her it As all You said holds In life and true. It makes di all suf fi -And cient, vine - lv sure: Then 0 Sav - ior, A firm - er faith be _ stow; me. Un - til death, Lord, keep Your heav'n I gain, Where me My faith shall rest trust - ing in its wis - dom, se - cure. shall bid de - fi - ance To ev - 'ry e vil foe. Ι great mer - cy I by Your The end of faith at - tain. Text: Erdmann Neumeister, 1671–1756; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt. Tune: Concentus novi, 1540, Augsburg Text and tune: Public domain

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