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9:00 A.M. IN CHURCH & LIVE STREAMED

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WELCOME: to those visiting us this Lord's Day. It is our joy to have you worshipping with us. We invite you to come again and worship the Lord.

FELLOWSHIP BOOK: Please record your presence this day in the Fellowship Book. Sharing your e-mail address in this book enables us to stay in communication with our LGLC family. If you are a guest and would like Pastor Shoemaker to get in touch with you, let him know or make a note in the Fellowship book.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS / SHARING THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN: I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus LSB 729
Hymns with all stanzas at the end of the bulletin

INVOCATION

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- 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.
- 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.

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.

Introit

Psalm 1:1-5; antiphon: v. 6

For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Blessèd 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; but his delight is in the law of the LORD,

and on his law he meditates day and night.

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.

The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

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.

For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

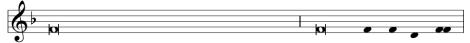
Kyrie LSB 152



peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



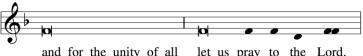
For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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

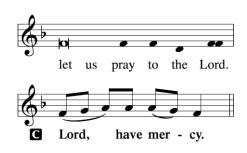


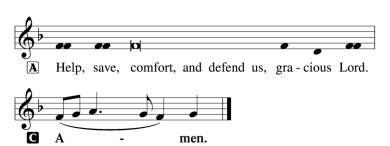
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.





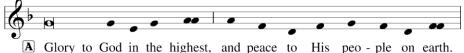
For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise







LSB 154





C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



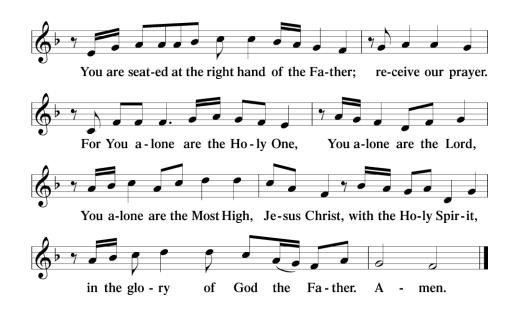
We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Micah 6:1-8

¹Hear what the LORD says:

Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice.

²Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the LORD has an indictment against his people, and he will contend with Israel.

³"O my people, what have I done to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me!

⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses,

Aaron, and Miriam.

⁵O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD."

6"With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?
7Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"
8He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

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

Epistle

¹⁸The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

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

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

²And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Son of God, Eternal Savior LSB 842

SERMON: God's Blessed Children Matthew 5:1-12

APOSTLE'S 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.



OFFERING THROUGH THE PLATE, ONLINE OR AUTOMATIC THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

PRAYER RESPONSE

P Lord, in your mercy

C hear our prayer

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION

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 Amen.

HYMN TO DEPART: Take My Life and Let it Be LSB 783

Fellowship after Church: We gather after every service in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversations. Volunteers to provide refreshments can sign up on the sign-up sheet in the kitchen.

Fifth Sunday Collection: This is the Fifth Sunday of the month and our designated recipient is **WORSHIP ANEW.** Thank you in advance for your generous gifts.



Our Worship Leaders This Week

Joyce Saalfrank-Music Coordinator Rene Scheimann -Reader

We Remember in our Prayers This Week

Jim Bertram (surgery)
Marilyn Motz (Karen Kuehnert's mother)
George Saalfrank (health concerns)
Barb Snider (surgery)

Please Pray for our Members who are at Home

Velda Dose Jeff Smith Todd Scherer Jeri and Jerry Threlkel

Birthday's: Robin Bertram (2-5)

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729 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

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

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
 Never let me fall.
 I am trusting Thee forever
 And for all.

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842 Son of God, Eternal Savior

- Son of God, eternal Savior, Source of life and truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth among us Hallows all our human race, You our Head, who, throned in glory, For Your own will ever plead: Fill us with Your love and pity, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
- As You, Lord, have lived for others, So may we for others live. Freely have Your gifts been granted; Freely may Your servants give. Yours the gold and Yours the silver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stewards of Your bounty Held in solemn trust will be.
- Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
 King of love and Prince of Peace;
 Hush the storm of strife and passion,
 Bid its cruel discords cease.
 By Your patient years of toiling,
 By Your silent hours of pain,
 Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
 Stem our selfish greed of gain.

Son of God, eternal Savior,
 Source of life and truth and grace,
 Word made flesh, whose birth among us
 Hallows all our human race:
 By Your praying, by Your willing
 That Your people should be one,
 Grant, O grant our hope's fruition:
 Here on earth Your will be done.

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783 Take My Life and Let It Be

- Take my life and let it be
 Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
 Take my moments and my days,
 Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

- Take my will and make it Thine, 5 It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- Take my love, my Lord, I pour 6 At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee. Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79

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