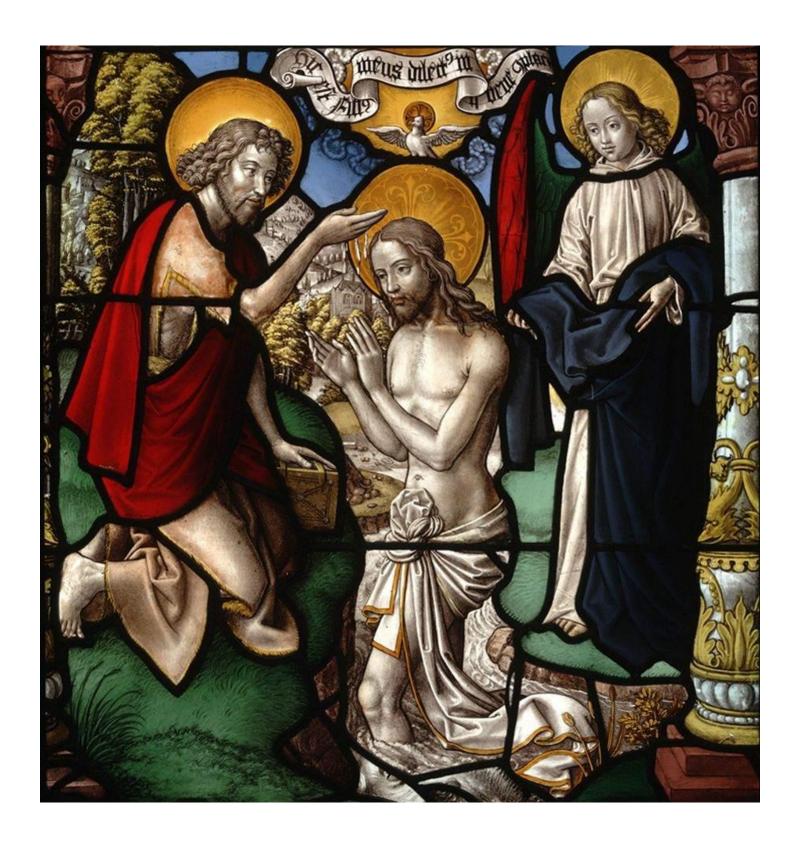
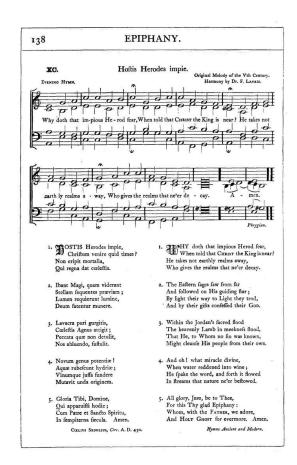
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Epiphany & Baptism of Our Lord - January 7, 2024





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January 7, 2024
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
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Divine Service 3
Order of Holy Communion
* = All Stand

Prelude

"When Peace, Like a River"

Herbert Gotsch

Share the Peace of the Lord

Announcements

Children's Message (10:30 a.m.)

Epiphany Scripture Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with

exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

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

394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



- 1 Songs of thank ful ness and praise, Je sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
- 2 Man i fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;
- 3 Man i fest in mak-ing whole Pal sied limbs and faint ing soul;
- 4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
- 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres ent in Thy ho ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far, at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest; Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell-ing all the dev - il's might; Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo-rious sign; Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem Thy birth at Beth - le - hem: In Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine; Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev er bring-ing good from ill; will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap-pear; we might be-come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest. An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest. An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest. Thou by all wilt be con-fessed, God in man made man - i - fest. And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- 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.

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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.
- 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.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a

Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,* my chosen, in whom my | soul delights.

I will tell of | the decree:*

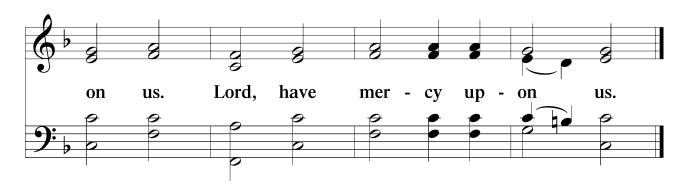
The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have be- gotten you.

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your | heritage,* and the ends of the earth your pos- session. You shall break them with a | rod of iron* and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel." Now therefore, O | kings, be wise;* be warned, O rulers of the earth. Serve the | LORD with fear,* and rejoice with | trembling, for his wrath is quickly | kindled.* Blessèd are all who take ref- | uge in him. 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. Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,* my chosen, in whom my | soul delights.



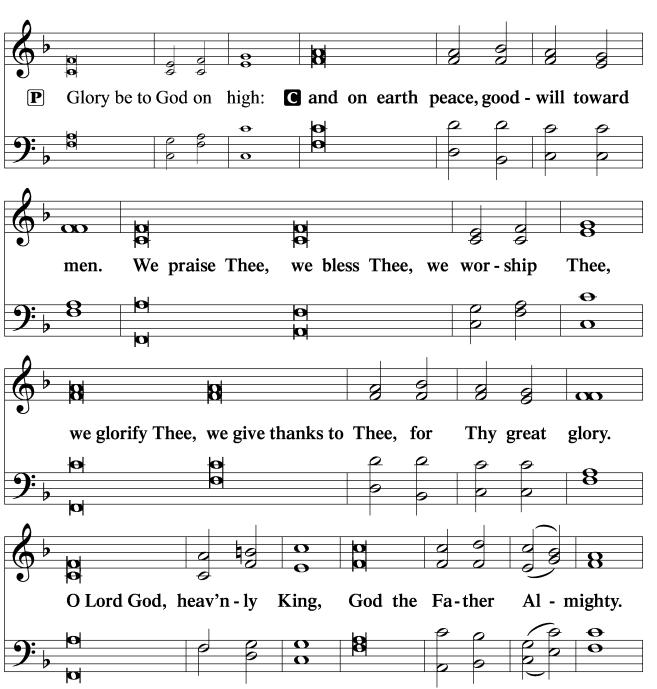
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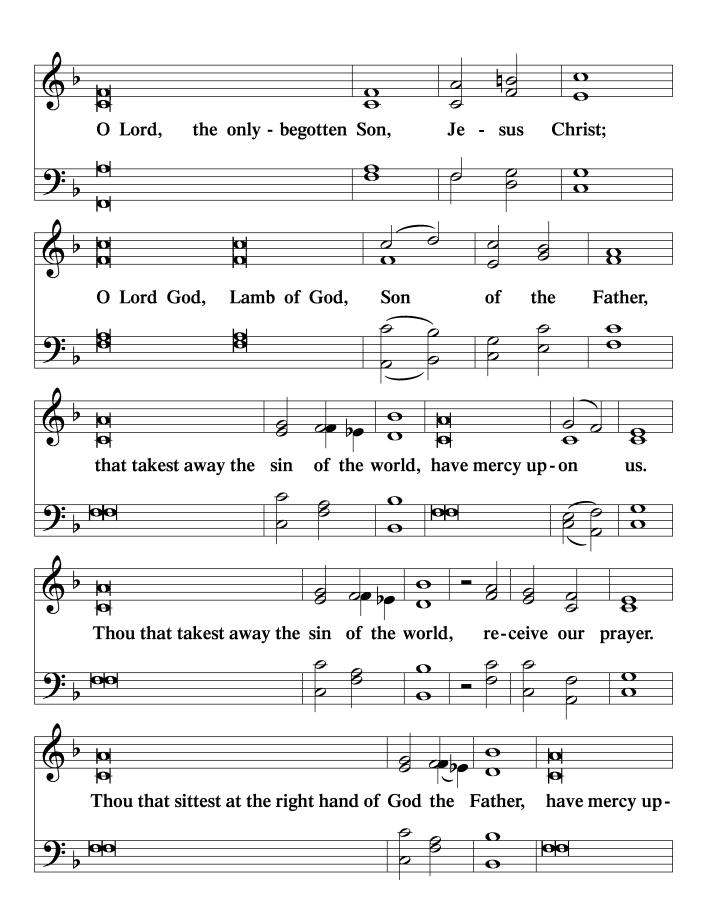


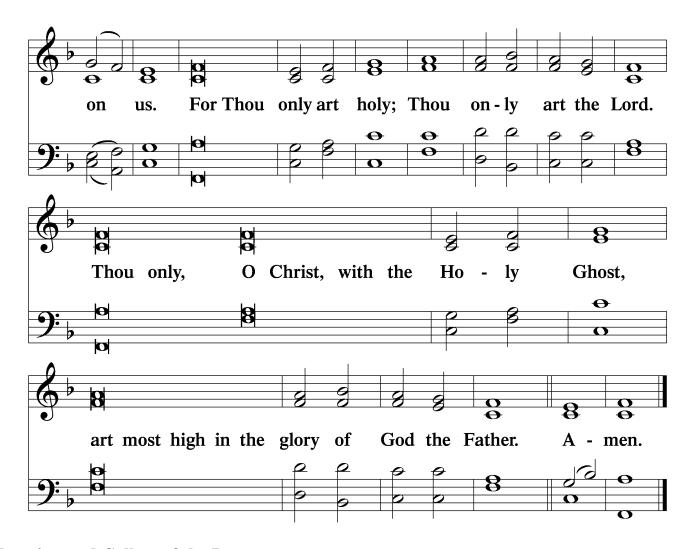


Gloria in Excelsis

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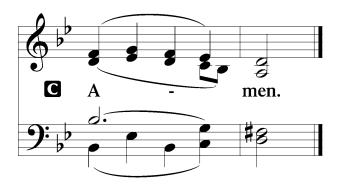




Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1:1–5

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

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

Choir Anthem

"Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

Timothy Schmidt

Psalm 29 (chanted responsively by whole verse)

¹Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly | beings,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* worship the LORD in the splendor of | holiness.

³The voice of the LORD is over the | waters;* the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many | waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is | powerful;* the voice of the LORD is full of | majesty.

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedars;* the LORD breaks the cedars of | Lebanon.

⁶He makes Lebanon to skip | like a calf,* and Sirion like a young | wild ox.

⁷The voice | of the LORD* flashes forth | flames of fire.

⁸The voice of the LORD shakes the | wilderness;* the LORD shakes the wilderness | of Kadesh.

⁹The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth and strips the | forests bare,* and in his temple all cry, | "Glory!"

¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned o- | ver the flood;* the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | ever.

¹¹May the LORD give strength to his | people!*
May the LORD bless his people | with peace!

Epistle Romans 6:1–11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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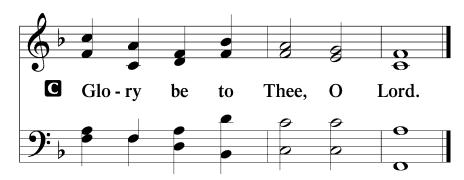
Stand **Alleluia**

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Holy Gospel Mark 1:4–11

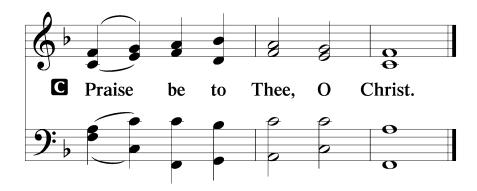
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



⁴John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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,

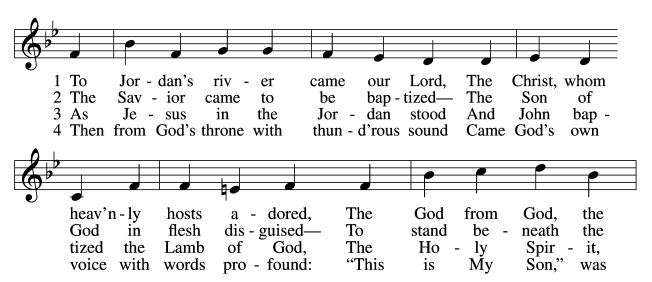
the Lord and giver of life,

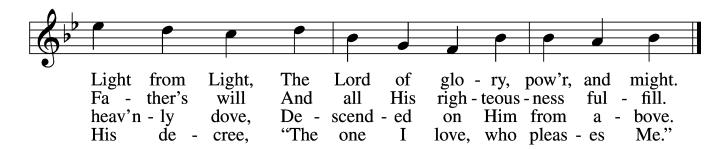
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

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.

Sit 405 To Jordan's River Came Our Lord





- 5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight
 Anointed Christ in glorious sight
 As God's own choice, from Adam's fall
 To save the world and free us all.
- 6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute; This man is Christ, our substitute! He was baptized in Jordan's stream, Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

Sermon

"THE EPIPHANY AND BAPTISM OF OUR LORD"

TEXT: Matthew 2:1-12 and Mark 1:4-11

THEME: We celebrate two great events in the life of our Lord today:

I. THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD -The Magi, The Star, The Gifts, The Child

II. THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD -John and Jesus at the Jordan River

III. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THESE EVENTS FOR OUR LIVES

CONCLUSION: The Triune God has entered into our world through the birth and baptism of Jesus Christ. We are connected to our Lord through our baptism in the name of the Trinity. Having received His gift of eternal life, we bring our gifts to Him and bow down to worship Him!

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

HOLY COMMUNION POLICY:

Holy Communion is administered to Lutheran Church Missouri Synod members and LCMS guests who have been instructed, catechized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith.

If you are visiting, please speak to the Elder of the day, or to the Pastor about receiving the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

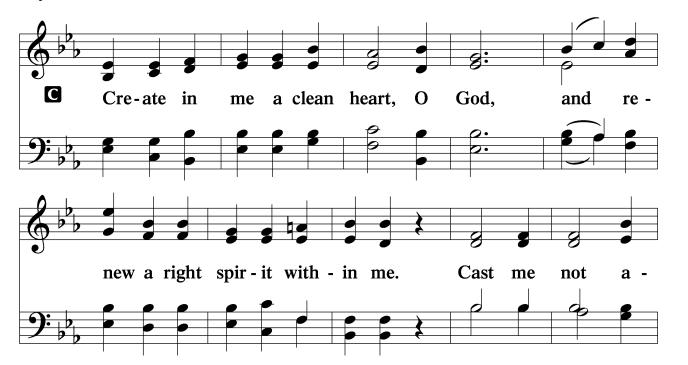
ATTENDANCE AND COMMUNION REGISTRATION:

During the gathering of the Offerings, members and visitors please pick up the Ritual of Friendship pad at the end of the pew, take out a white (member) or tan (visitor) sheet and pass the pad down the pew to the people sitting next to you.

Please fill out the date, address and phone number information as well as e-mail addresses. The sheets will be collected in the baskets in the narthex as you leave. Thank you!

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Sit Offering

(Fill out the **Ritual of Friendship** sheet and place it in the baskets in the narthex as you leave. Place your offerings in the offering plates passed by the ushers.)

We thank you for presenting your weekly offerings to the church in one of four ways:

- 1. Place your offerings in the offering plates
- 2. Mail your offering envelopes to the Church Office
 - 3. Bring your Offerings to the Church Office
- You may place your offering in the wooden box on the bench by the glass doors.
 - 4. Use the "Simply Giving" service to give your offerings digitally online.

 Thank you to everyone for faithfully supporting our ministry here.

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Prayer of the Church

Note: If you would like a prayer included in the Divine Service today, please fill out the form and hand it to the elder or usher at the beginning of the service. You may also call the church office, e-mail, or leave a message on the answering machine for special prayers.

In the Hospital OR Receiving Treatments OR Recuperating:

Madisen Lemke, Kandie Darmody, Lynlee Kocurek, Barbara Craun, Marie Campbell, Michael Meyer, Larry Klumpp, Faith Jenkins, Doug Gransberg

Bereavement

Pray for family of Peggy Gallagher at the death of her father, Donald Durensky.

Other Needs We Pray for

- * Trinity Lutheran Church, Early Childhood & Campus Ministries * Pray for Rain

 - * Pray for Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, and Japan

Military Service Members & their Families

Mike Gobble, Emily Shelton, Alex Laffin, Danny Greene, Courtney Tate, Eli Wiley

Police and Firefighters

Birthdays

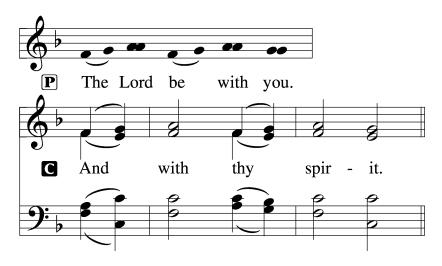
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Zeke Hartman	1/10	Griffin Marshall	1/10
Tammy Vogt	1/11	Susan Wilson	1/13

Missions

Mark Winterstein serves the Lord through The LCMS in Germany, based in Leipzig. In this role, he assists congregations of the Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church (SELK), the Synod's partner church in Germany, with their outreach to refugees and immigrants from the Middle East. This ministry includes language instruction and other outreach activities that help build relationships with the refugees.

Service of the Sacrament

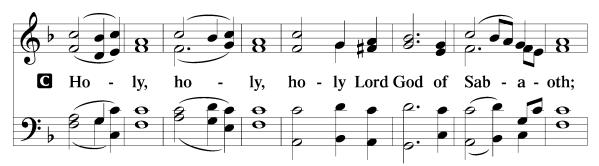
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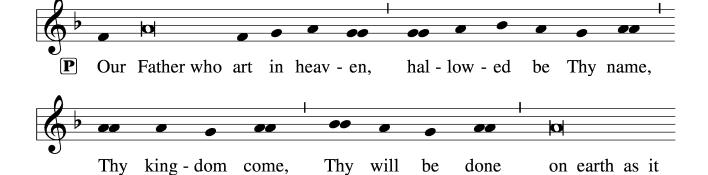
It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for at His Baptism Your voice from heaven revealed Him as Your beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit descended on Him, confirming Him to be the Christ. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 195













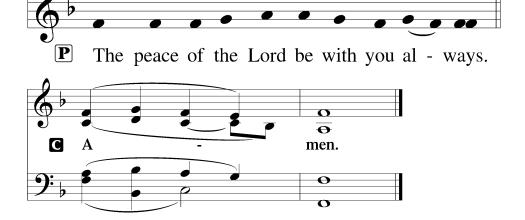
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P Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,







Agnus Dei LSB 198



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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:

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:

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.

399 The Star Proclaims the King Is Here



400 Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning



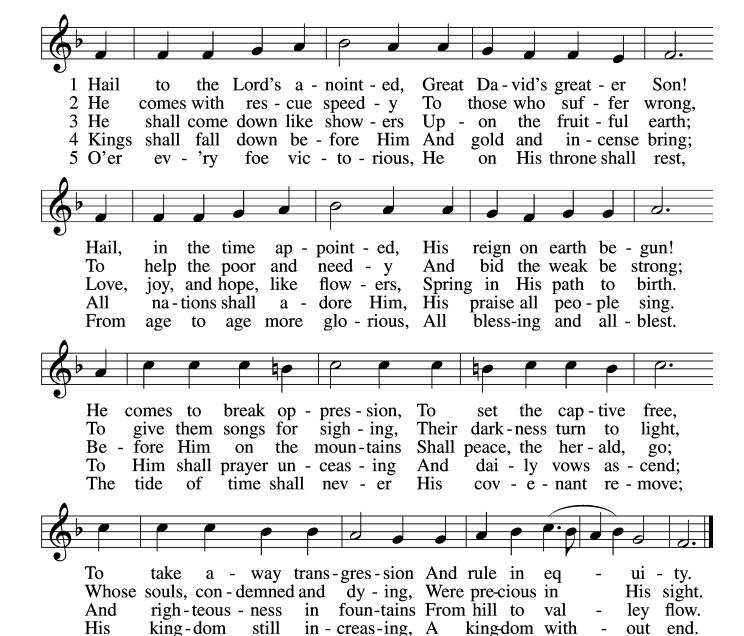
396 Arise and Shine in Splendor



398 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

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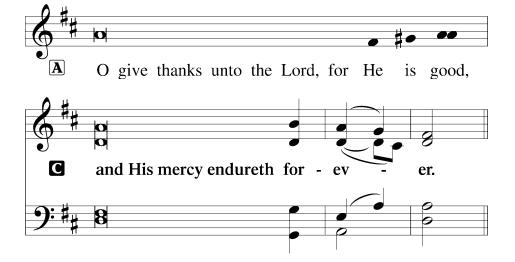
Love.

Nunc Dimittis LSB 199



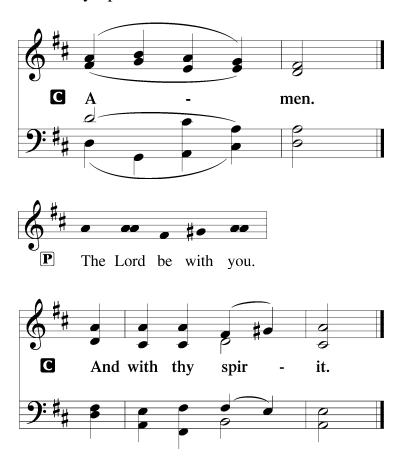


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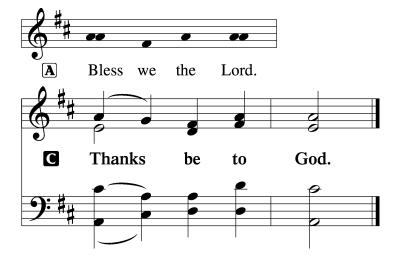


A Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us

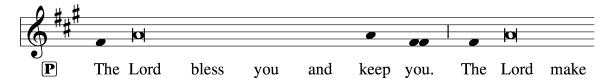
through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

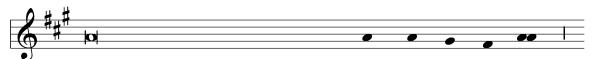


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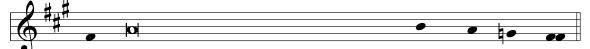


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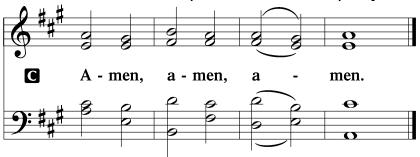




His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.



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



397 As with Gladness Men of Old



- 1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;
- 2 As with joy ful steps they sped, Sav ior, to Thy low ly bed,
- 3 As they of fered gifts most rare At Thy cra dle, rude and bare,
- 4 Ho-ly Je-sus, ev-'ry day Keep us in the nar-row way; 5 In the heav'n-ly coun-try bright Need they no cre-at-ed light;
- and the near in the country bright recentively no electic at earlight,



As with joy they hailed its light, Lead - ing on - ward, beam-ing bright; There to bend the knee be - fore Thee, whom heav'n and earth a - dore; So may we with ho - ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al - loy, And when earth-ly things are past, Bring our ran-somed souls at last Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down;



So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev - er - more be led by Thee. So may we with will - ing feet Ev - er seek Thy mer - cy seat. All our cost-liest trea - sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n-ly King. Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glo - ry hide. There for - ev - er may we sing Al - le - lu - ias to our King.

Postlude

"Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense"

Austin C. Lovelace