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Divine Service 3 - Order of Holy Communion

PRELUDE "Sola Fide"

Timothy Schmidt

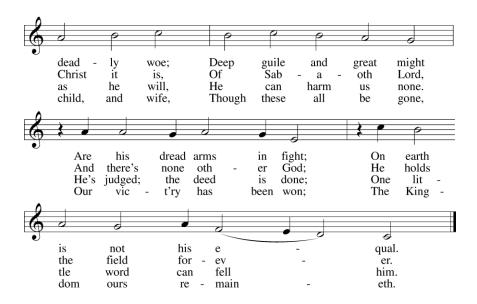
SHARE THE PEACE OF THE LORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30 A.M SERVICE)

656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God





Invocation, 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,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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.

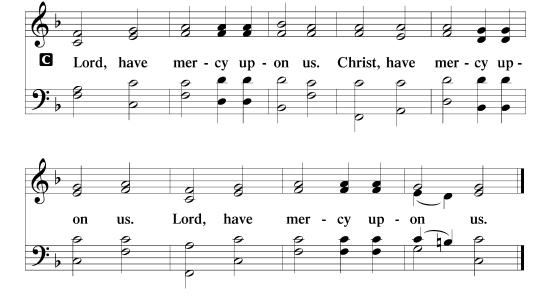
Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46

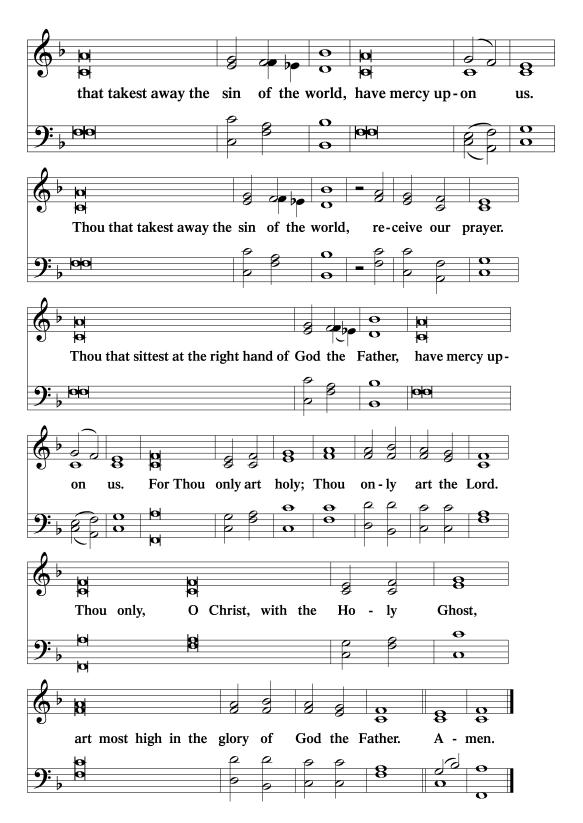
I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]* and shall not be put to shame. I will bless the LORD at | all times;* his praise shall continually be | in my mouth. My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;* let the humble hear | and be glad. Come, O children, lis- ten to me;* I will teach you the fear of the LORD. The LORD redeems the life of his | servants;* none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned. 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. I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]* and shall not be | put to shame.

Kyrie LSB 186

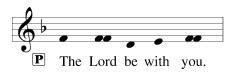


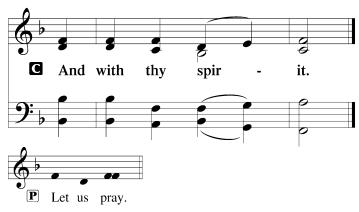
Gloria in Excelsis LSB 187





Salutation and Collect of the Day





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Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit First Reading

Revelation 14:6–7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

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

CHOIR ANTHEM "By Grace I'm Saved"

Timothy Schmidt

Psalm

Psalm 46; antiphon: v. 7

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<sup>1</sup>God is our ref- | uge and strength,*
  a very present help in | trouble.
<sup>2</sup>Therefore we will not fear though the | earth gives way,*
  though the mountains be moved into the heart | of the sea,
<sup>3</sup>though its waters | roar and foam,*
  though the mountains tremble at its | swelling.
<sup>4</sup>There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,*
  the holy habitation of the | Most High.
<sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of her; she shall | not be moved;*
  God will help her when morning dawns.
<sup>6</sup>The nations rage, the kingdoms | totter;*
  he utters his voice, the | earth melts.
<sup>7</sup>The LORD of hosts is | with us;*
  the God of Jacob is our | fortress.
<sup>8</sup>Come, behold the works of the LORD,*
  how he has brought desolations on the earth.
<sup>9</sup>He makes wars cease to the end | of the earth;*
  he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
  he burns the chariots | with fire.
10"Be still, and know that | I am God.*
  I will be exalted among the nations,
  I will be exalted | in the earth!"
<sup>11</sup>The LORD of hosts is | with us;*
  the God of Jacob is our | fortress.
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
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Epistle Romans 3:19–28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

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

Stand

Alleluia LSB 190

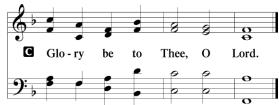


VERSE (By Pastor)



Holy Gospel *John 8:31–36*

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



³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

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 578 Thy Strong Word



- 5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
 Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
 Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
 Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 May the light which Thou dost send
 Fill our songs with alleluias,
 Alleluias without end!
- △ 6 God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be.

To Thee, Light of Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
Praise the holy Trinity!

Sermon

Sermon: "FREE INDEED!"

TEXT: Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36 DATE: Oct. 26, 2025 LITURGICAL DAY: REFORMATION SUNDAY

<u>Theme</u>: Salvation comes to all who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and are justified freely by His grace!

I. ALL HAVE SINNED AND FALLEN SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD

II. WE ARE JUSTIFIED FREELY BY HIS GRACE

THROUGH THE REDEMPTION THAT CAME BY CHRIST JESUS III. WE HOLD TO JESUS' TEACHING AS REAL DISCIPLES

WE KNOW THE TRUTH AND THE TRUTH SETS US FREE

<u>CONCLUSION</u>: Like St. John, St. Paul, Martin Luther, and the true Christian Church of the ages, we proclaim the Law and the Gospel, administer the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, announce Absolution, pray for and love one another.

We dedicate our lives to mission work in God's harvest field through our cheerful giving!

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF REFORMATION DAY:

With his October 31st posting of the 95 Theses on the Castle Church door in Wittenberg, Germany in 1517, Martin Luther began a movement which he could have never imagined would result in a split from the Roman Catholic Church. We will celebrate this event here on Sunday Oct. 26th this year.

Luther wrote that **the entire Christian life is one of repentance** and that no papal indulgences could purchase anyone's soul from hell and purgatory. He was questioning the Pope's authority, a very dangerous proposition in his day.

As we have learned, Luther directed the Church back to **the written Scripture in the Old and New Testament** as the inspired Word of God. Here alone can Christians know for certain what God's truth is. Here alone can we say, "Thus saith the Lord!"

In addition, that Scripture does not teach works righteousness (which Rome taught under an oppressive system of indulgences, penance and masses). Instead, **salvation is by grace alone through faith** in the once for all completed sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. Luther discovered this essential truth in the Book of Romans. Or we should say, this truth discovered him!

HOLY COMMUNION POLICY:

Holy Communion is administered to Lutheran Church Missouri Synod members and LCMS guests who have been instructed, catechezied 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 Attendance pad at the end of the pew, take out a white (member) or blue (visitor) sheet

and pass the pad down the pew to the people sitting next to you.

Place the sheets in the baskets in the narthex as you leave. For visitors not receiving the communion elements, you are welcome to come to the communion rail to receive a blessing.

Fold your arms across your chest

for identification Thank you!

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

Stand

Offertory LSB 192



Sit

Offering

VOLUNTARY

"Fear Your God, the Commandments Say" Timothy Schmidt

(Bell Choir)

Stand

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025

In the Hospital OR Receiving Treatments OR Recuperating:

Raymond Sendelbach, Ember Ward, Betty Tinney, Mike Knox, Missouri District President Lee Hagen, John Eisenbraun,

Sally McNeil, Brian Rytlewski, Jim Randol, Raymond Sendelbach

Other Needs We Pray for

* Trinity Lutheran Church, Early Childhood & Campus Ministries
 * Pray for the protection of the unborn.
 * Pray for rain.

Military Service Members & their Families

Daniel Voges, Gabe Stecker, Mike Gobble, Alex Laffin, Eli Wiley, and Calvin Ullman Pray for peace for Syria, Israel, Palestine & Ukraine

Birthdays

Todd Kunard 10/27 Melissa Coombs 10/31 Diana Newman 10/27 Dolores Schweiger 11/1 Seth Lemke 10/28

Anniversaries Years

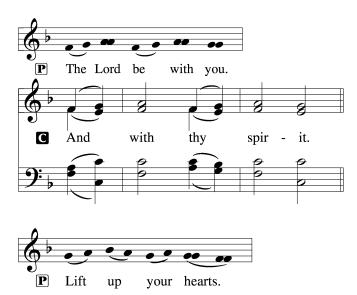
Keith & Melissa Coombs 10/29/1997 28

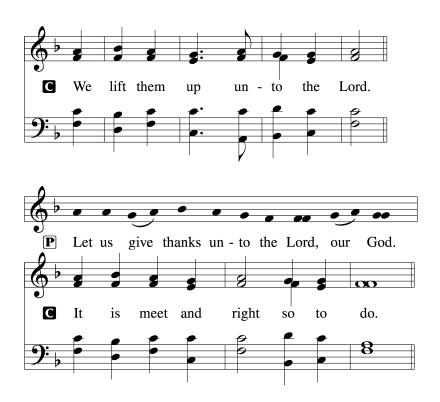
Missions

Mindy Thews serves the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as the Lutheran education coordinator for the Asia region, based in Taiwan. In this role, she is a resource on curriculum development and pedagogy; facilitates and coordinates the translation, production and distribution of Lutheran materials for partner churches and their schools; and mentor's teachers and groups all across the region.

Service of the Sacrament

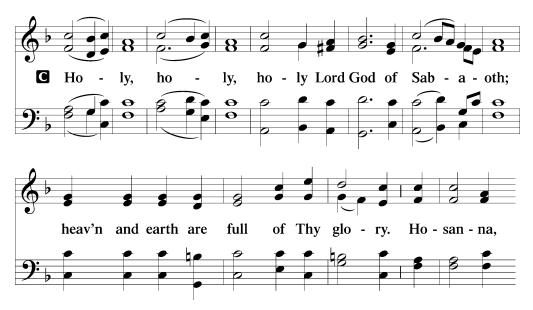
Preface LSB 194





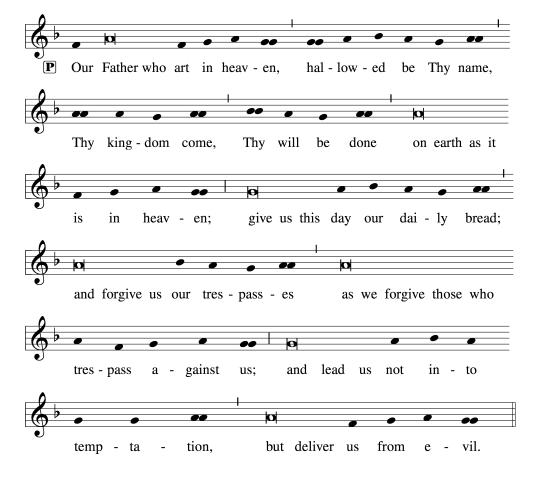
It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; for You have mightily governed and protected Your holy Church, in which the blessed apostles and evangelists proclaimed Your divine and saving Gospel. Therefore with patriarchs and prophets, apostles and evangelists, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

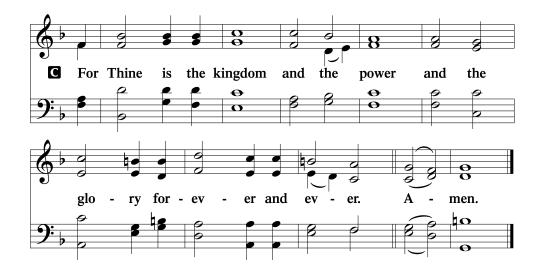
Sanctus LSB 195





Lord's Prayer LSB 196



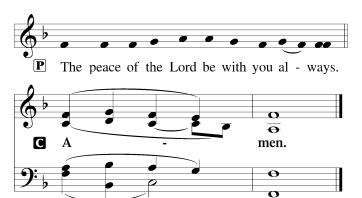


The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197



Pax Domini LSB 197



Agnus Dei LSB 198



Sit

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.

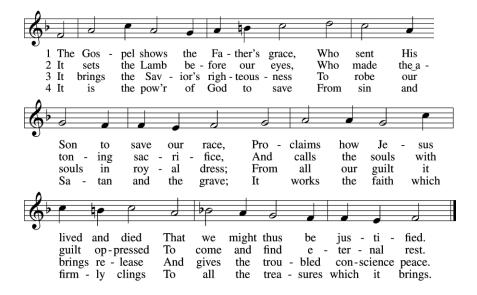
Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

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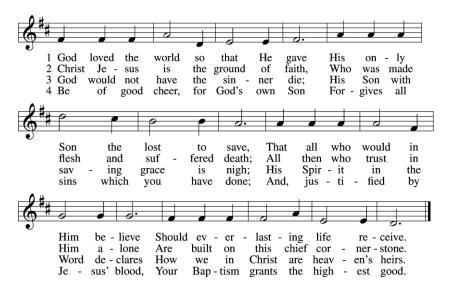
- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

580 The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace



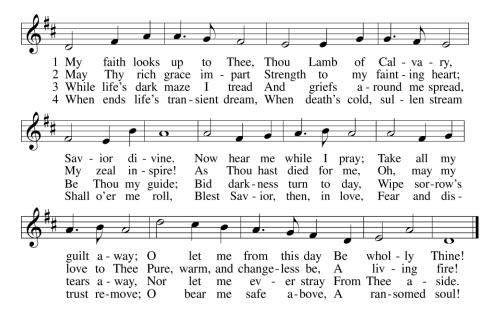
- 5 It bears to all the tidings glad And bids their hearts no more be sad; The weary, burdened souls it cheers And banishes their guilty fears.
- 6 May we in faith its message learn
 Nor thanklessly its blessings spurn;
 May we in faith its truth confess
 And praise the Lord, our righteousness.

571 God Loved the World So That He Gave



- 5 If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your troubled heart can cheer: Christ Jesus saves your soul from death; That is the firmest ground of faith.
- △ 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
 To You, O blessèd Trinity,
 Be praise now and eternally!

702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee



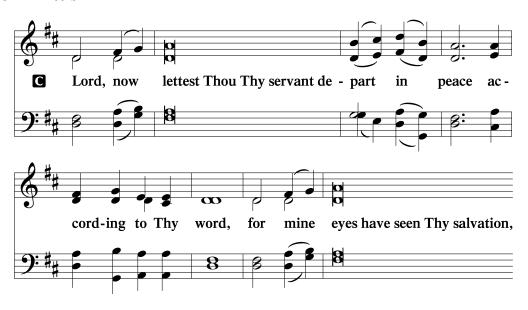
561 The Tree of Life



Stand

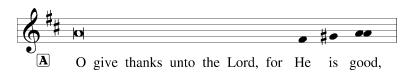
Nunc Dimittis

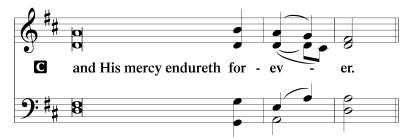
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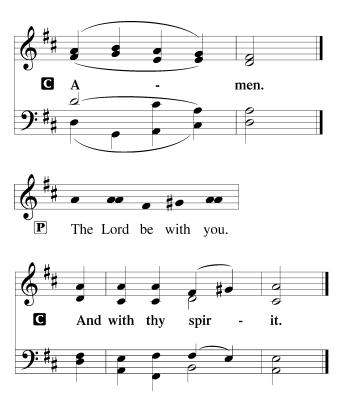
Thanksgiving LSB 200



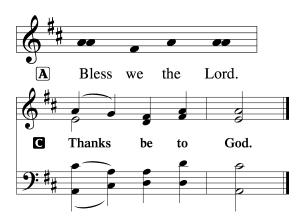


A Let us pray.

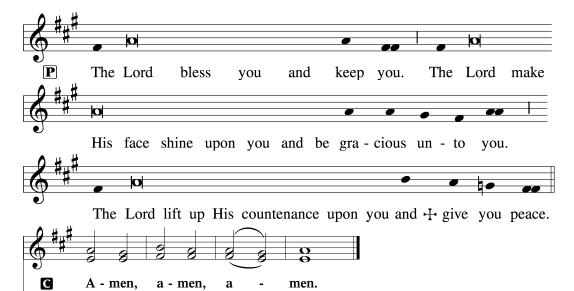
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benedicamus LSB 202



Benediction LSB 202



566 By Grace I'm Saved



5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure
If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.

POSTLUDE "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" Timothy Schmidt

