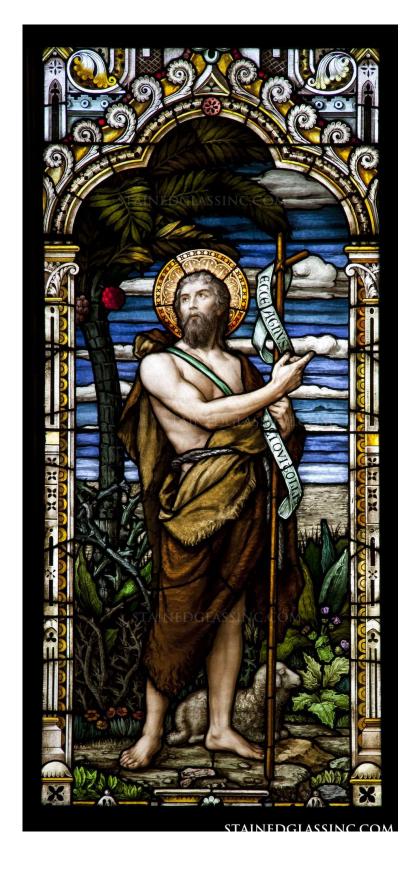


2nd SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 8, 2024 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Lutheran Service Book - Page 151 Divine Service 1 - Order of Holy Communion



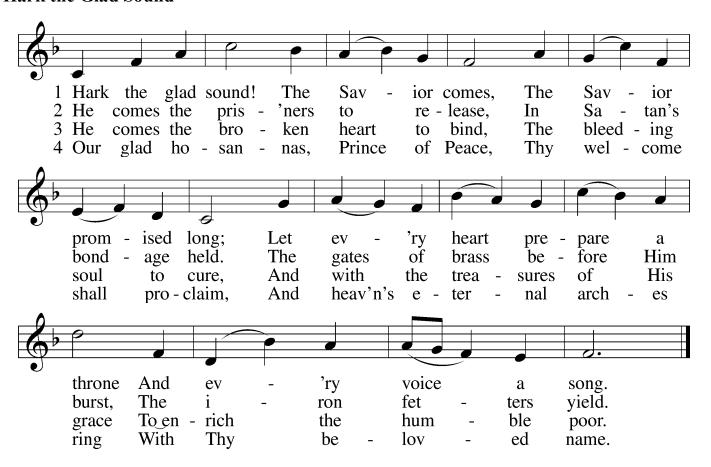
SHARE THE PEACE OF THE LORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30 a.m.)

Confession and Absolution

349 Hark the Glad Sound



Stand

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.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand

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

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- 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.

Stand

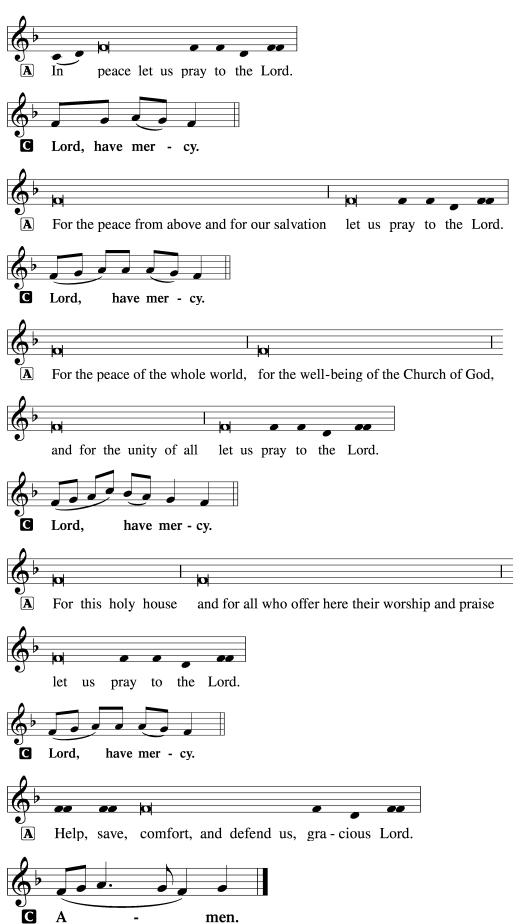
Service of the Word

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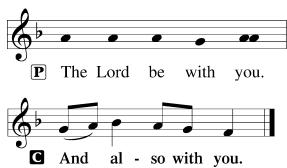
Psalm 81:8, 10–11, 13; antiphon: Luke 3:4b

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The voice of one crying in the | wilderness:*
  "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight."
Hear, O my people, while I ad- | monish you!*
  O Israel, if you would but lis- ten to me!
I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of | Egypt.*
  Open your mouth wide, and I will | fill it.
But my people did not listen | to my voice;*
  Israel would not sub- | mit to me.
Oh, that my people would lis- ten to me,*
  that Israel would walk in my ways!
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.
The voice of one crying in the | wilderness:*
  "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight."
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Kyrie LSB 152



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; 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

Malachi 3:1–7b

¹"Behold, I send my messenger and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. ³He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

⁵"Then I will draw near to you for judgment. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

⁶"For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. ⁷From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them."

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

CHOIR ANTHEM (both services) "Savior of the Nations, Come" J. S. Bach (meditation: LSB 332 v1)

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<sup>1</sup>Shout for joy to God, | all the earth:*
  <sup>2</sup>sing the glory of his name;
  give to him | glorious praise!
<sup>3</sup>Say to God, "How awesome | are your deeds!*
   So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.
<sup>4</sup>All the earth worships you
   and sings prais- es to you;*
   they sing praises to your name."
<sup>5</sup>Come and see what | God has done:*
   he is awesome in his deeds toward the chil- dren of man.
<sup>6</sup>He turned the sea into | dry land;*
   they passed through the riv- er on foot.
There did we rejoice in him,
   <sup>7</sup>who rules by his might forever,
whose eyes keep watch on the | nations—*
   let not the rebellious ex- | alt themselves.
<sup>8</sup>Bless our God, O | peoples;*
  let the sound of his praise be heard,
9who has kept our soul among the | living*
  and has not let our | feet slip.
<sup>10</sup>For you, O God, have | tested us;*
   you have tried us as sil- | ver is tried.
<sup>11</sup>You brought us in- | to the net;*
   you laid a crushing burden on our backs;
<sup>12</sup>you let men ride o- | ver our heads;*
   we went through fire and through water:
yet you have brought us out to a place of a- | bundance.
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 Philippians 1:2–11

²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

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

Alleluia and Verse LSB 156



Holy Gospel Luke 3:1–14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.



¹In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, ²during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁴As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,

"The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

⁵Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall become straight,

and the rough places shall become level ways,

⁶and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

⁷He said therefore to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruits in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. ⁹Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire."

¹⁰And the crowds asked him, "What then shall we do?" ¹¹And he answered them, "Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to

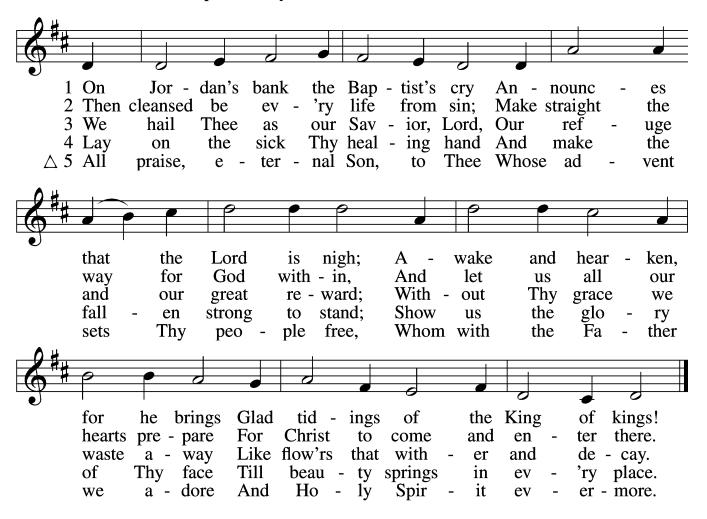
do likewise." ¹²Tax collectors also came to be baptized and said to him, "Teacher, what shall we do?" ¹³And he said to them, "Collect no more than you are authorized to do." ¹⁴Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

344 On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry



TITLE OF THE SERMON:

"SEE THE SALVATION OF GOD"

TEXT: Luke 3:1-14

DATE: 12-8-24 LITURGICAL DAY: 2nd Sunday in Advent

THEME:

John the Baptist, in his birth and in his preaching, calls us to be good trees that bear good fruit so that we can see the salvation of God.

I. PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

II. BEAR FRUIT IN KEEPING WITH REPENTANCE

III. LIVE FAITHFULLY IN YOUR DAILY VOCATION AND CALLING

CONCLUSION:

The Word of God has come to us through
John the Baptist, the son of Zachariah the priest, about Jesus the Christ.
What shall you do?

Listen, repent, believe, dwell in your baptism, rejoice in your forgiveness, be assured of your eternal salvation, live a life of good works.

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!

Stand

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.

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, email, or leave a message on the answering machine for special prayers.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024

In the Hospital OR Receiving Treatments OR Recuperating:

Barbara Stevenson, Kandie Darmody, Betty Tinney, Rick Sturm Nancy Brosowske, Barbara Tiller, Jean Faulkner

Other Needs We Pray for

- * Trinity Lutheran Church, Early Childhood & Campus Ministries
- * Tornado and Hurricane victims
- * Pray for the Protection of the Unborn

Military Service Members & their Families

Gabe Stecker, Mike Gobble, Emily Shelton, Alex Laffin, Courtney Tate, Eli Wiley, Calvin Ullman Pray for peace for Israel, Palestine & Ukraine

Birthdays

Claire Hartman	12/8	Nancy Parker	12/8
Maranda Wendte	12/8	Travis Faulkner	12/9
Nathan Schuster	12/10	Mary Tucker	12/11
Jackson Merchant	12/12	Pastor Mark Gaschler	12/14

AnniversariesYearsKevin & Alaina Weber12/12/201212

<u>Missions</u>

The Rev. Jonah and Renee Domenichelli serve the Lord as career missionaries through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Germany. In this role, Jonah works alongside the Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Synod's partner church in Germany, to plant a church that serves locals, expats and members of the U.S. military living abroad. Through this work, he strives to build up the Body of Christ and provide Word and Sacrament ministry.

Offering

VOLUNTARY

"Hosanna to the Living Lord"

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachow

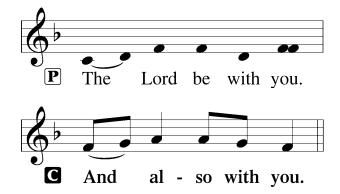
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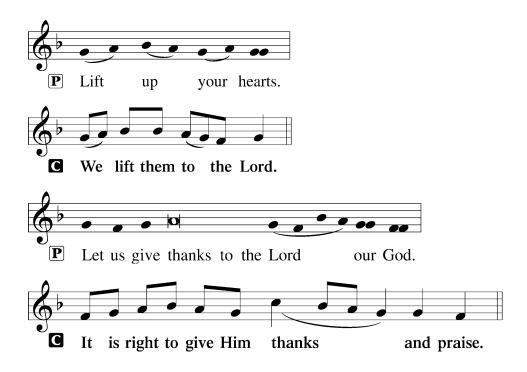
Offertory LSB 159



Service of the Sacrament

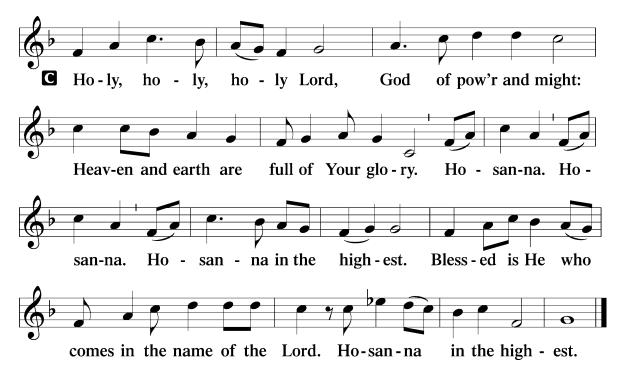
Preface LSB 160





It is truly good, 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, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. 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 161



P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten 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."

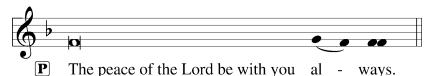
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

- 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.
- 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:

Lord's Prayer

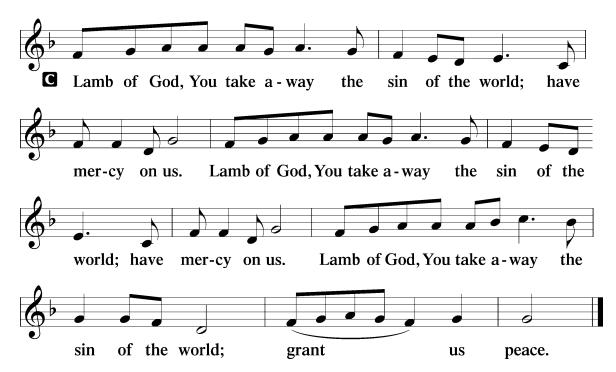
Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Pax Domini LSB 163





Agnus Dei LSB 163



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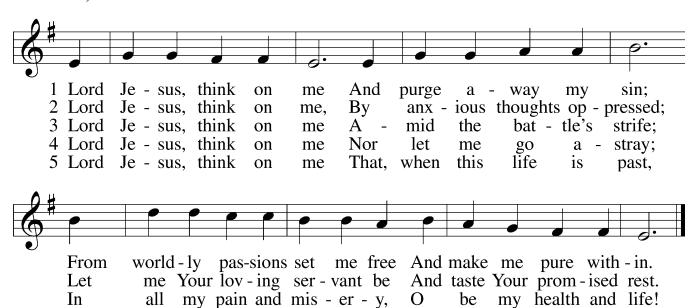
- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.

353 Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring



610 Lord Jesus, Think on Me



may the e-ter - nal bright-ness see And share Your joy

Point out Your cho - sen way.

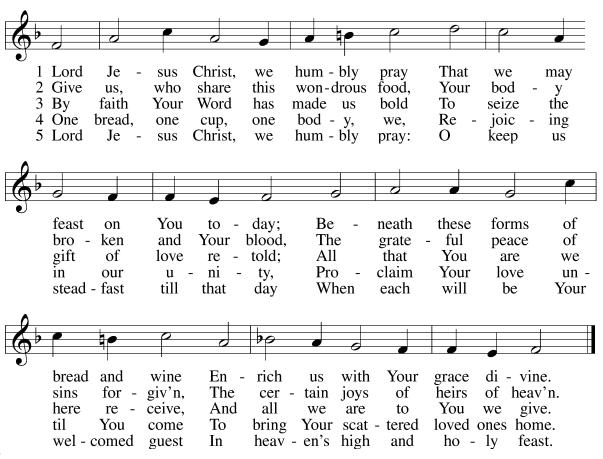
at last.

Through dark-ness and per-plex - i - ty

354 Arise, O Christian People



623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray



Stand

Thank the Lord LSB 164



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.





He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



Post-Communion Collect

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.



Benediction LSB 166



P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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



346 When All the World Was Cursed



POSTLUDE "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

Jan Bender