

**Trinity Lutheran Church**

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**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas**

December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025





**2st Sunday after Christmas**  
December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
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Divine Service 4 - Order of Holy Communion

PRELUDE "The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

Timothy Schmidt

SHARE THE PEACE OF THE LORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## Invocation, Confession and Absolution

### 389 Let All Together Praise Our God

1 Let all to - geth - er praise our God Be - fore His  
2 He leaves His heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne, Is born an  
3 With - in an earth - born form He hides His all - cre -  
4 He un - der - takes a great ex - change, Puts on our  
glo - rious throne; To - day He o - pens heav'n a - gain To  
in - fant small, And in a man - ger, poor and lone, Lies  
at - ing light; To serve us all He hum - bly cloaks The  
hu - man frame, And in re - turn gives us His realm, His  
give us His own Son, To give us His own Son.  
in a hum - ble stall, Lies in a hum - ble stall.  
splen - dor of His might, The splen - dor of His might.  
glo - ry, and His name, His glo - ry, and His name.

- 5 He is a servant, I a lord:  
How great a mystery!  
How strong the tender Christ Child's love!  
No truer friend than He,  
No truer friend than He.
- 6 He is the key and He the door  
To blessed paradise;  
The angel bars the way no more.

To God our praises rise,  
To God our praises rise.

△ 7 Your grace in lowliness revealed,  
Lord Jesus, we adore  
And praise to God the Father yield  
And Spirit evermore;  
We praise You evermore.

*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** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*Kneel/Stand*

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

# Service of the Word

## Introit

*Jeremiah 31:15–17; antiphon: Hosea 11:1*

When Israel was a child, I | loved him,\*  
and out of Egypt I | called my son.  
**Thus says the LORD: “A voice is heard in | Ramah,\***  
**lamentation and bitter | weeping.**  
**Rachel is weeping for her | children;\***  
**she refuses to be comforted for her children, because they | are no more.”**  
**Thus says the LORD: “Keep your voice from | weeping,\***  
**and your | eyes from tears,**  
**for there is a reward for your work, de- | clares the LORD,\***  
**and they shall come back from the land of the | enemy.**  
**There is hope for your future, de- | clares the LORD,\***  
**and your children shall come back to their own | country.”**  
**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.**  
When Israel was a child, I | loved him,\*  
and out of Egypt I | called my son.

## Kyrie

*LSB 204*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

## Gloria in Excelsis

*LSB 204*



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 63:7–14*

<sup>7</sup>I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD,  
the praises of the LORD,  
according to all that the LORD has granted us,  
and the great goodness to the house of Israel  
that he has granted them according to his compassion,  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.  
<sup>8</sup>For he said, "Surely they are my people,  
children who will not deal falsely."  
And he became their Savior.  
<sup>9</sup>In all their affliction he was afflicted,  
and the angel of his presence saved them;  
in his love and in his pity he redeemed them;  
he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.  
<sup>10</sup>But they rebelled  
and grieved his Holy Spirit;  
therefore he turned to be their enemy,  
and himself fought against them.

<sup>11</sup>Then he remembered the days of old,  
of Moses and his people.  
Where is he who brought them up out of the sea  
with the shepherds of his flock?  
Where is he who put in the midst of them  
his Holy Spirit,  
<sup>12</sup>who caused his glorious arm  
to go at the right hand of Moses,  
who divided the waters before them  
to make for himself an everlasting name,  
<sup>13</sup>who led them through the depths?  
Like a horse in the desert,  
they did not stumble.  
<sup>14</sup>Like livestock that go down into the valley,  
the Spirit of the LORD gave them rest.  
So you led your people,  
to make for yourself a glorious name.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

*Psalm 111; antiphon: v. 9a, b*

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD!  
I will give thanks to the LORD with my | whole heart,\*  
in the company of the upright, in the congre- | gation.  
<sup>2</sup>**Great are the works | of the LORD,\***  
**studied by all who de- | light in them.**  
<sup>3</sup>Full of splendor and majesty | is his work,\*  
and his righteousness endures for- | ever.  
<sup>4</sup>**He has caused his wondrous works to be re- | membered;\***  
**the LORD is gracious and | merciful.**  
<sup>5</sup>He provides food for those who | fear him;\*,  
he remembers his covenant for- | ever.  
<sup>6</sup>**He has shown his people the power | of his works,\***  
**in giving them the inheritance of the | nations.**  
<sup>7</sup>The works of his hands are faith- | ful and just;\*,  
all his precepts are | trustworthy;  
<sup>8</sup>**they are established forever and | ever,\***  
**to be performed with faithfulness and up- | rightness.**  
<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant for- | ever.\*  
Holy and awesome | is his name!  
<sup>10</sup>**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;**



all those who practice it have a good under- | standing.\*

His praise endures for- | ever!

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.

## Epistle

*Galatians 4:4–7*

<sup>4</sup>When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse



## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 2:13–23*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>13</sup>When [the wise men] had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” <sup>14</sup>And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt <sup>15</sup>and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

<sup>16</sup>Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men.

<sup>17</sup>Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

<sup>18</sup>“A voice was heard in Ramah,  
weeping and loud lamentation,  
Rachel weeping for her children;  
she refused to be comforted, because they are no more.”

<sup>19</sup>But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, <sup>20</sup>saying, “Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child’s life are dead.” <sup>21</sup>And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. <sup>22</sup>But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. <sup>23</sup>And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled: “He shall be called a Nazarene.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

### Nicene Creed

**C** 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*

### 399 The Star Proclaims the King Is Here



1 The star pro - claims the King is here; But, Her - od,  
2 The east - ern sa - ges saw from far And fol - lowed  
3 With - in the Jor - dan's sa - cred flood The heav'n - ly  
4 And oh, what mir - a - cle di - vine, When wa - ter  
△ 5 For this Thy glad e - piph - a - ny All glo - ry,



why this sense - less fear? For He who of - fers heav'n - ly  
on His guid - ing star; And, led by light, to light they  
Lamb in meek - ness stood That He, of whom no sin was  
red - dened in - to wine! He spoke the word, and forth it  
Je - sus, be to Thee, Whom with the Fa - ther we a -



birth Seeks not the king - doms of this earth.  
trod And by their gifts con - fessed their God.  
known, Might cleanse His peo - ple from their own.  
flowed In streams that na - ture ne'er be - stowed.  
dore, And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

### Sermon

TITLE OF THE SERMON:

#### **"SONS AND HEIRS OF GOD!"**

TEXT: Matthew 2:13-23 / Galatians 4:4-7 DATE: 12-28-25

LITURGICAL DAY: First Sunday after Christmas

Also commemorate "The Holy Innocents, Martyrs" – Dec. 28

*Theme: Jesus was part of a human family*

*so we could become part of God's family!*

**I. JESUS - BORN IN BETHLEHEM - SON OF GOD, SON OF DAVID**

**II. JESUS – PROTECTED FROM HEROD IN EGYPT**

**III. JESUS - RAISED IN NAZARETH - SON OF MARY, STEP-SON OF JOSEPH**

**IV. WE ARE NOW SONS OF GOD - HEIRS OF GOD THE FATHER  
HERE - WHERE WE LIVE**

*CONCLUSION:* Jesus has redeemed us from the curse of the law through His life, death, burial and resurrection. As God's Son and the Son of Mary, the God / Man took our place under the law to redeem us who are under the law. God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts through preaching, teaching, baptism, absolution and the Lord's table.

We are now in God's earthly and heavenly family!

**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 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!

*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, DECEMBER 28, 2025**

**In the Hospital OR Receiving Treatments OR Recuperating:**

Ember Ward, Betty Tinney, Mike Knox, Lee Hagen, Cheryl Wade,  
John Eisenbraun, Sally McNeil, Jane McConnell, Johna Jupe, Eddie Morris, Lief Stratmoen

**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

Blake Bayliss	12/28	Sam Burge	12/30
David Dickerman	12/28	Jack Schemm	12/30
Sandy Dunaway	12/28	Jennifer Wells	1/1
Allen Law	12/28	Tyler Wendte	1/1
Julia Jorns	12/29	Vickie Zubialde	1/2
ReAnne Keister	12/29	Anne Anderson	1/3
Meredith Marshall	12/29	Shelby Wilson	1/3

### Anniversaries

### Years

Steven & Yasmin Hoover	12/28/2013	12
John & Vickie Zubialde	12/29/1984	41
John & Joanie Eisenbraun	12/31/1960	65
Jonathan & Tisha Merchant	12/31/2005	20

### Missions

Rev. Dale and Suzanne Kaster serve the Lord as missionaries through The LCMS in Prague, Czech Republic. In this role, Dale serves as the pastor of St. Michael the Archangel Lutheran Church, an English-language congregation in Prague, which serves many English-speaking expats living in Prague. In addition, Dale serves as the Eurasia regional chaplain and provides pastoral service to the LCMS missionaries serving in the Silesian region of the Czech Republic.

*Sit*

### **Offering**

VOLUNTARY      *"The Bells of Christmas"*

Jan Bender

## **Service of the Sacrament**

*Stand*

### **Preface**

*LSB 208*

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

### 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  
 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** 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.”

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 210

**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*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.**

*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.**

## 370 What Child Is This



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mar-y's lap is  
2 Why lies He in such mean es-tate Where ox and ass are  
3 So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peas - ant, king, to



sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While  
feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The  
own Him. The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let



shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is  
si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear shall  
lov - ing hearts en - throne Him. Raise, raise the

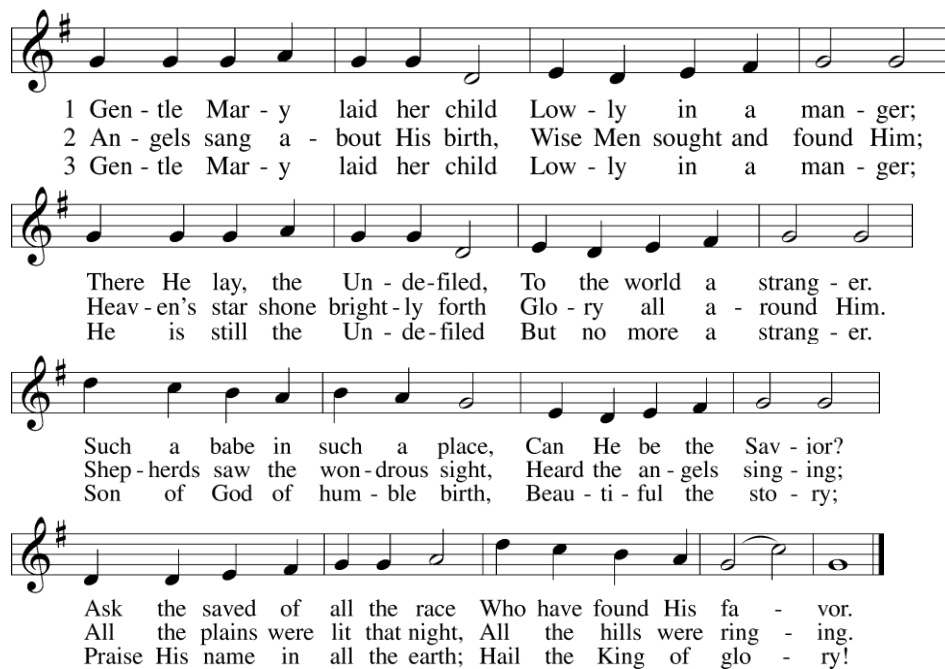


Christ the king, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;  
pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you;  
song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;



Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mar-y!  
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mar-y!  
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The babe, the son of Mar-y!

### 374 Gentle Mary Laid Her Child



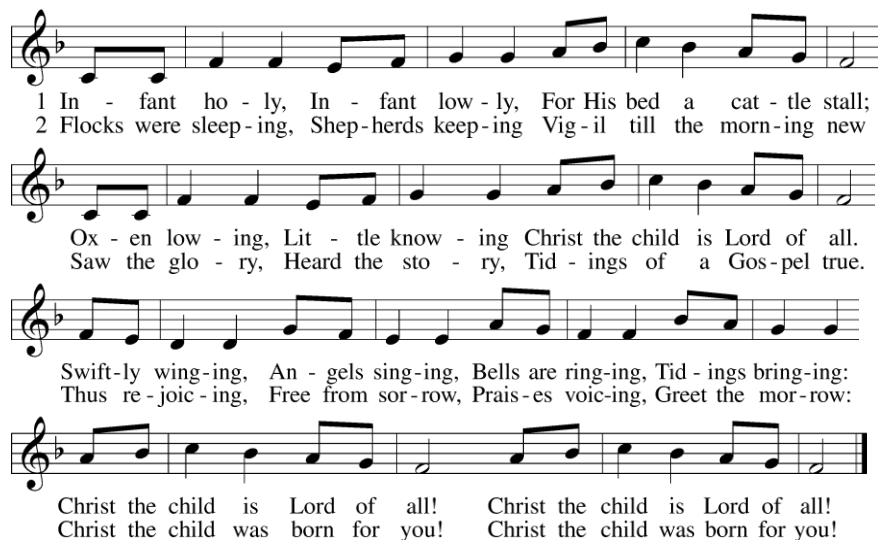
1 Gen - tle Mar - y laid her child Low - ly in a man - ger;  
 2 An - gels sang a - bout His birth, Wise Men sought and found Him;  
 3 Gen - tle Mar - y laid her child Low - ly in a man - ger;

There He lay, the Un - de - filed, To the world a strang - er.  
 Heav - en's star shone bright - ly forth Glo - ry all a - round Him.  
 He is still the Un - de - filed But no more a strang - er.

Such a babe in such a place, Can He be the Sav - ior?  
 Shep - herds saw the won - drous sight, Heard the an - gels sing - ing;  
 Son of God of hum - ble birth, Beau - ti - ful the sto - ry;

Ask the saved of all the race Who have found His fa - vor.  
 All the plains were lit that night, All the hills were ring - ing.  
 Praise His name in all the earth; Hail the King of glo - ry!

### 393 Infant Holy, Infant Lowly



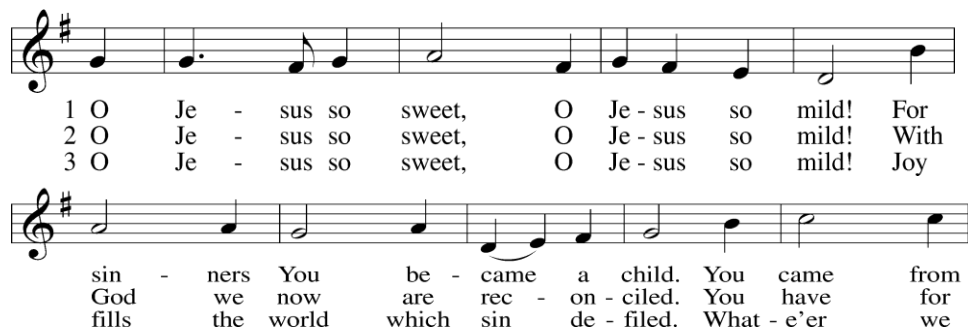
1 In - fant ho - ly, In - fant low - ly, For His bed a cat - tle stall;  
 2 Flocks were sleep - ing, Shep - herds keep - ing Vig - il till the morn - ing new

Ox - en low - ing, Lit - tle know - ing Christ the child is Lord of all.  
 Saw the glo - ry, Heard the sto - ry, Tid - ings of a Gos - pel true.

Swift - ly wing - ing, An - gels sing - ing, Bells are ring - ing, Tid - ings bring - ing:  
 Thus re - joic - ing, Free from sor - row, Prais - es voic - ing, Greet the mor - row:

Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!  
 Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you!

### 546 O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild



1 O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild! For  
 2 O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild! With  
 3 O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild! Joy

sin - ners You be - came a child. You came from  
 God we now are rec - on - ciled. You have for  
 fills the world which sin de - filed. What - e'er we





heav - en down to earth In hu - man flesh through  
 all the ran - som paid, Your Fa - ther's righ - teous  
 have be - longs to You; O keep us faith - ful,  
 hu - man birth. O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild!  
 an - ger stayed. O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild!  
 strong, and true. O Je - sus so sweet, O Je - sus so mild!

*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis

*LSB 211*



**1** O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
**2** All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in lead the be - gin - ning, Is  
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray.  
 O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we

may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

LSB 212

**A** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## 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.

## 387 Joy to the World

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re-ceive her  
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav-ior reigns! Let men their songs em-  
3 No more let sins and sor-rows grow Nor thorns in-fest the  
4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the na-tions  
King; Let ev-'ry heart pre-pare Him  
ploy, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and  
ground; He comes to make His bless-ings  
prove The glo-ries of His righ-teous -  
room And heav'n and na-ture sing, And heav'n and na-ture  
plains Re-peat the sound-ing joy, Re-peat the sound-ing  
flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is  
ness And won-ders of His love, And won-ders of His  
sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na-ture sing.  
joy, Re-peat, re-peat the sound-ing joy.  
found, Far as, far as the curse is found.  
love, And won-ders, won-ders of His love.

## POSTLUDE

“When Christ’s Appearing Was Made Known”

Hugo Distler

