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David H. Brooks, Pastor – October 20, 2024

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TODAY'S VERSE:

*"Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will uphold you with My victorious right hand." -
Isaiah 41:10*

PRELUDE

..... WE PREPARE TO MEET OUR LORD

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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.
- C** But if we confess our sins, God, Who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8)

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

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father,
- C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His Mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)
- C** Amen.

OPENING HYMN: **WOV 742 "Come We That Love the Lord"**



1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
2 Let those re - fuse to sing who nev - er knew our God;
3 The hill of Zi - on yields a thou - sand sa - cred sweets
4 Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - 'ry tear be dry;

join in a song with sweet ac - cord, join in a song with
but chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, but chil - dren of the
be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, be - fore we reach the
we're march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Em -

sweet ac - cord and thus sur-round the throne, and thus sur-round the throne.
heav'n - ly King may speak their joys a - broad, may speak their joys a - broad.
heav'n - ly fields, or walk the gold - en streets, or walk the gold - en streets.
man - uel's ground, to fair - er worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high.

Refrain



We're march - ing to Zi - on, beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on;
we're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

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WE WELCOME OUR LORD

SERVICE OF THE WORD

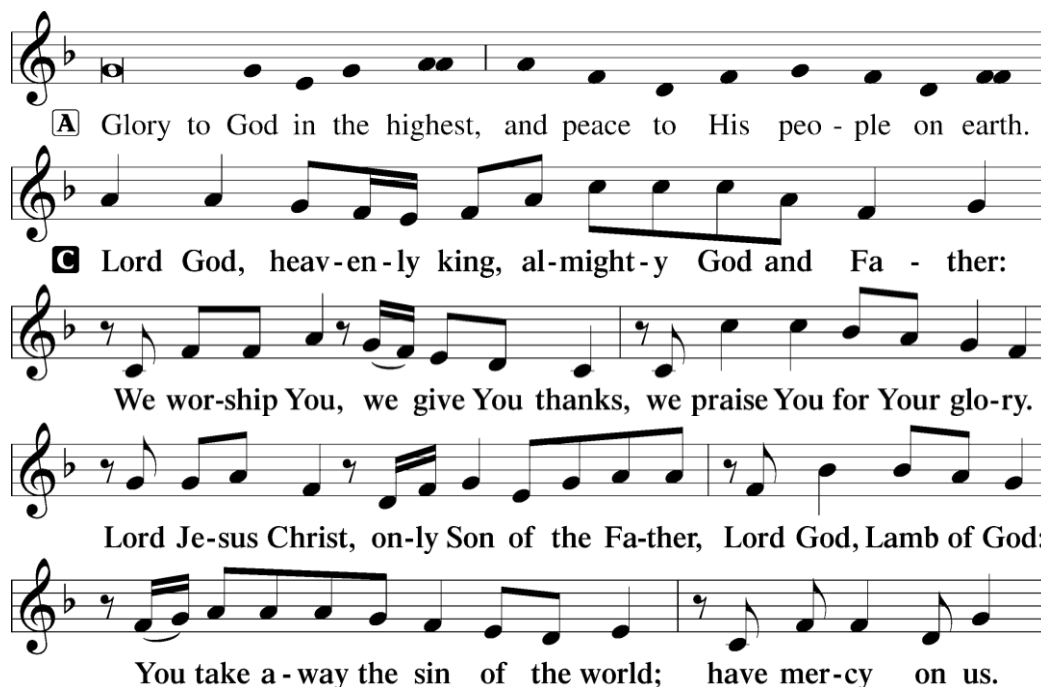
KYRIE: **WOV 602**



1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . have mer - cy.
Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Music: Russian Orthodox

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: **LSB Page 154**



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.
C Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:
We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo - ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



SALUTATION AND COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

..... OUR LORD SPEAKS TO US

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

Ecclesiastes 5:10–20 (*Pew Bible, pg. 555*)

The Old Testament Lesson is from the 5th Chapter of Ecclesiastes.

¹⁰He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity.

¹¹When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes?

¹²Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

¹³There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand.

¹⁵As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand.

¹⁶This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind?

¹⁷Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

¹⁸Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find

enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot.

¹⁹Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God.

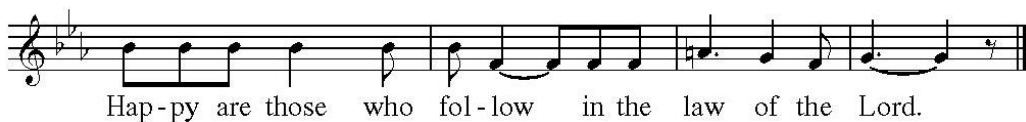
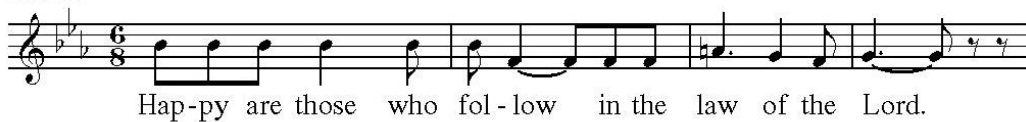
²⁰For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119: *"Happy Are Those Who Follow"* Gather Comprehensive 116

Refrain



Verses

1. Happy are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.
Happy are they who observe God's decrees, who seek God with all their heart.
Happy are they who walk in the law of the Lord.
2. You have commanded that all your precepts be kept with diligence.
Oh, that I might be strong in the ways of keeping to your law.
Happy are they who walk in the law of the Lord.
3. Be good to your servant that I may live, may live to keep your word.
Open my heart that I may consider the wonders of your law.
Happy are they who walk in the law of the Lord.
4. Instruct me, O God, in the way of your statutes,
that I may exactly observe them.
Give me discernment, that I may observe your law.
Give me discernment to keep it with all my heart.
Happy are they who walk in the law of the Lord.

THE EPISTLE LESSON:

Hebrews 4:1–13 (*Pew Bible, pg. 1002*)

The Epistle Lesson is from the 4th Chapter of Hebrews.

¹Therefore, while the promise of entering His rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it.

²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened.

³For we who have believed enter that rest, as He has said, “As I swore in My wrath, ‘They shall not enter My rest,’” although His works were finished from the foundation of the world.

⁴For He has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all His works.”

⁵And again in this passage He said, “They shall not enter My rest.”

⁶Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again He appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the

words already quoted, “Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts.”

⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on.

⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from His.

¹¹Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience.

¹²For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

¹³And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to Whom we must give account.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE:



HOLY GOSPEL:

Mark 10:23–31 (*Pew Bible, pg. 846*)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth Chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²³*Jesus looked around and said to His disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!”*

²⁴*And the disciples were amazed at His words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God!*

²⁵*It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.”*

²⁶*And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to Him, “Then who can be saved?”*

²⁷*Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.”*

²⁸*Peter began to say to Him, “See, we have left everything and followed You.”*

²⁹*Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for My sake and for the gospel,³⁰ who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.*

³¹*But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON: **The Rev. Dr. Dave Brooks**

HYMN OF THE DAY: **LBW 362** “*We Plow the Fields and Scatter*”

1 We plow the fields and scat - ter The good seed on the land,
2 He on - ly is the mak - er Of all things near and far;
3 We thank you, our cre - a - tor, For all things bright and good,
But it is fed and wa - tered By God's al - might - y hand.
He paints the way - side flow - er, He lights the eve - ning star.
The seed - time and the har - vest, Our life, our health, our food.
He sends the snow in win - ter, The warmth to swell the grain,
The winds and waves o - bey him; By him the birds are fed.
No gifts have we to of - fer For all your love im - parts,
The breez - es and the sun - shine, And soft re - fresh - ing rain.
Much more to us, his chil - dren, He gives our dai - ly bread.
But what you most would trea - sure— Our hum - ble, thank - ful hearts.
Refrain
All good gifts a - round us Are sent from heav'n a - bove.
Then thank the Lord, oh, thank the Lord For all his love.

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APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic[†] Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

..... WE OFFER OURSELVES TO THE LORD

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. . .
Lord in Your mercy,
- C** Hear our prayer.
- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C** Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE:

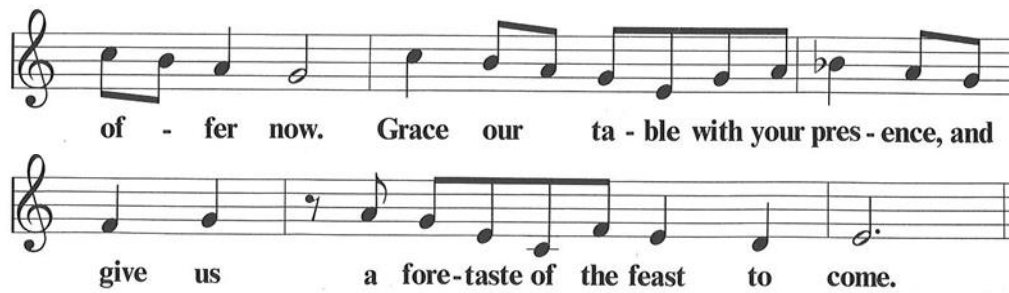
Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, with the 'hand wave of peace', as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matthew 5:22–24; Ephesians 4:1–3).

OFFERTORY: ***“For the Beauty of the Earth” - Rutter***

OFFERTORY:

C Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we

[†] meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of the Christian doctrine



OUR LORD GIVES HIMSELF TO US

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

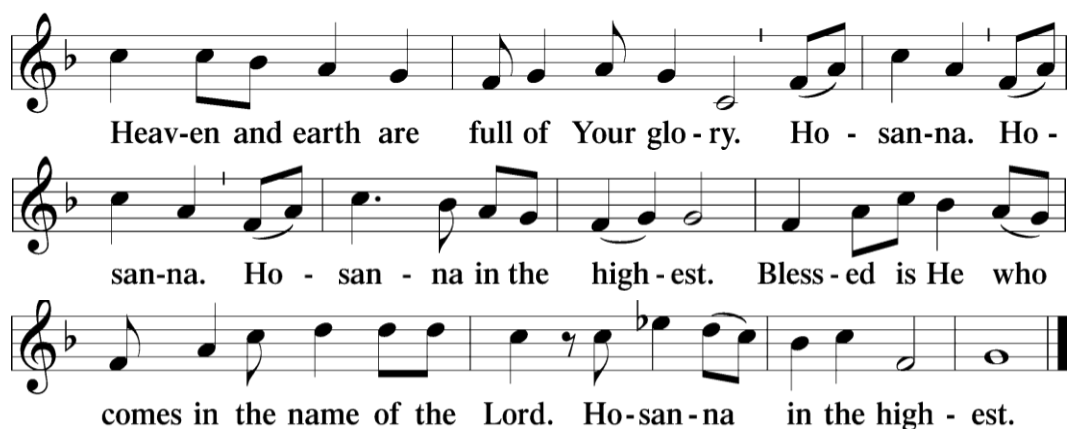
PREFACE:



P 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,... Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS:





PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world You gave Your only Son, that all who believe in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to You for the salvation You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now Your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as He comes to us in His holy supper.
- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed...
- P** Remembering, therefore, His death, resurrection, and ascension, we await His coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of Your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to Whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

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.**

AGNUS DEI:

G Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION:

Receiving Holy Communion

As Lutheran Christians, we believe, teach, and confess that Jesus Christ gives us His own true Body and Blood via the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper (1 Cor. 10:16). We trust His promise that this Supper is for the forgiveness of our sins, the increase of our faith, and the strengthening of our life as the Church. Baptized Christians who share our confession, repent of their sins, and seek the Lord's blessing are welcome to receive. *First time guests are kindly asked to speak to our pastor or an usher before receiving communion.* Those not communing are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

[For silent prayer before communing]

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this Holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

[For silent prayer after receiving the Sacrament]

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: **WOV 731 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"**



1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
 2 When my way grows . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . . near,
 I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
 when my life is . . . al - most . . . gone,
 and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,
 Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light,
 hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
 at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.
 take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

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WOV 700 "I Received the Living God"

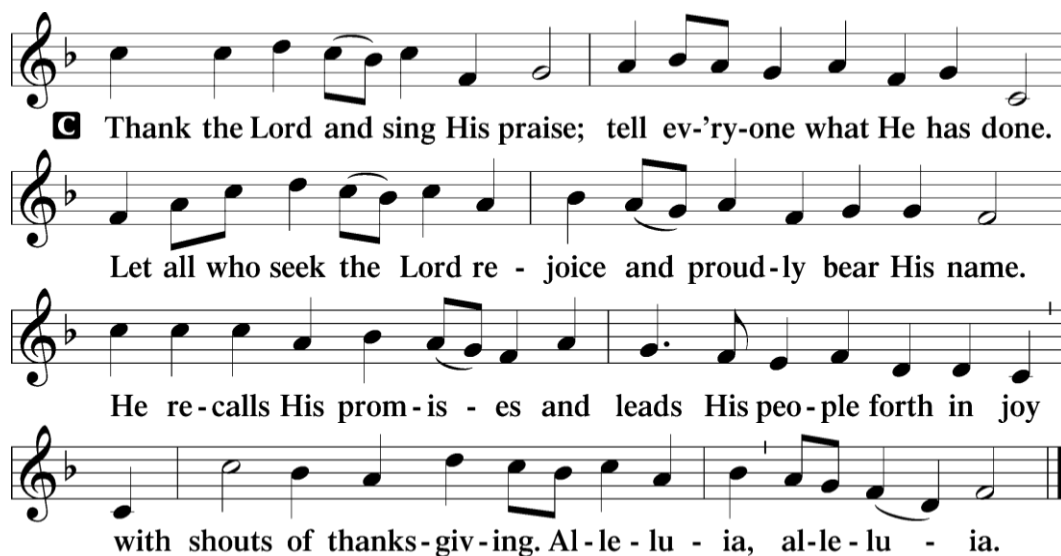


Refrain
 I re-ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of
 joy. I re-ceived the liv-ing God, and my heart is full of joy.
Verses
 1. Je-sus said: "I am the Bread Knead-ed long to give you life;
 2. Je-sus said: "I am the Way, And my Fa - ther longs for you;
 3. Je-sus said: "I am the Truth; If you fol - low close to me,
 4. Je-sus said: "I am the Life Far from whom no thing can grow,
to Refrain
 1. You who will par-take of me Need not ev - er fear to die."
 2. So I come to bring you home To be one with him a - new."
 3. You will know me in your heart, And my word shall make you free."
 4. But re-ceive this liv - ing bread, And my Spir - it you shall know."

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..... WE THANK OUR LORD

THANK THE LORD:



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.
He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT:

P Let us pray.

Thanks and praise to You, O God for this feast of victory that You have shared with us. We believe we have been redeemed by the breaking of Christ's body, and the pouring of His blood. Help us rely on this sacrament for strength, confident that what we now hold in hope, we will enjoy in true fulfillment in heaven; through our Lord Jesus Christ Who reigns with You and the Holy Spirit now and forever.

C Amen.

..... GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US OUT

BENEDICTION:

P May almighty God shield you as you go, wherever He may lead you.
The hand of the Father touching you, the blessing of the God of life.
The yoke of Jesus upon you, the blessing of the Christ of love.
The power of the Spirit within you, the blessing of the Breath of grace.
The blessing of the ✠ Holy Trinity be upon you. Now and forevermore.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: *LSB 918 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"*

1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,

Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,

bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to

more; Feed me till I want no more.
shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

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DISMISSAL:

P: Go forth! Walk in the light of Christ to the glory of God and for the care of the neighbor.

G: We go in the peace of God. Amen.

POSTLUDE

SERVING YOU TODAY:

Organist: Erin Hodge

10:10 AM **Ushers**
Dave Dickmader &
Tom McGill*

Reader
Janet Dickmader
Greeter: Kathy Peterson

Communion Assistant
Geoff Heintzelman

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