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**AS WE GATHER** In His earthly life, Jesus chose to be a "peripatetic" teacher. Rather than staying in one place and having His learners come to Him, He went from place to place with disciples or followers who listened to the truths He taught as they went along. Walking with Jesus was the greatest of blessings! Whether we hear the Gospel teachings of our Lord in the same setting week by week and year by year or find ourselves in a variety of worship locations and settings, we, too, find blessing in hearing Him as did His first followers. The hymn writer Sigismund von Birken invites us simply: "Let us ever walk with Jesus" (*LSB* 685:1). May we be blessed in our walking and in our listening today!

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" "I'm But a Stranger Here"

Parks Behnke

#### RINGING OF THE BELLS AND WELCOME

#### **INVOCATION**

- $lap{P}$  In the name of the Father and of the  $lap{H}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

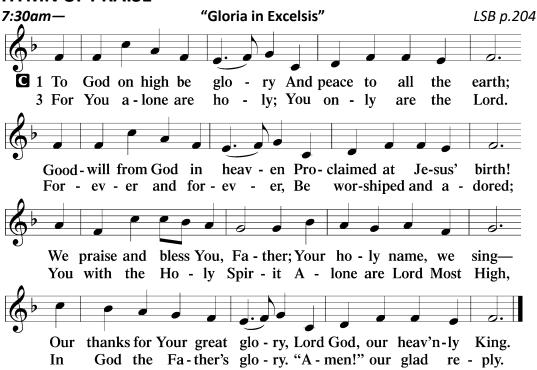
#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- 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.

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



#### HYMN OF PRAISE



Text: Stephen P. Starke

#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

Genesis 15:1-6

# OLD TESTAMENT

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." <sup>4</sup>And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

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

**EPISTLE** Colossians 3:18-4:1

Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. <sup>19</sup>Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them. <sup>20</sup>Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged. <sup>22</sup>Slaves, obey in everything those who are your earthly masters, not by way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. <sup>23</sup>Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, <sup>24</sup>knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ. <sup>25</sup>For the wrongdoer will be paid back for the wrong he has done, and there is no partiality. <sup>1</sup>Masters, treat your slaves justly and fairly, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.

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

## **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**



HOLY GOSPEL Luke 12:22-34

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

#### Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life. what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. <sup>23</sup>For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup>Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! <sup>25</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>26</sup>If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? <sup>27</sup>Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>28</sup>But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! <sup>29</sup>And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. <sup>30</sup>For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. <sup>31</sup>Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. <sup>32</sup>"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **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 worshipped 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  $\pm$  of the world to come. Amen.

#### A SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

#### HYMN OF THE DAY

7:30am— "O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe" LSB 666
9am— "What An Awesome God" Mullins/Wickham/Smith

**SERMON** "Submit, Love, Obey, Upbuild" Rev. Peter C. Williamson

# GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING "If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee" Manz

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (After each petition, the following is said...)

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

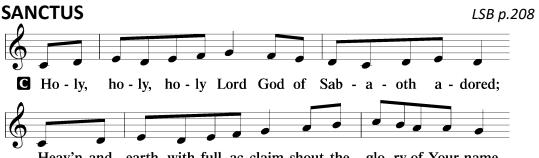
# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

#### **PREFACE**

- P The Lord be with you.
- $\mathbf{C}$ And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- $\mathbf{C}$ We lift them to the Lord.
- $\mathbf{P}$ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

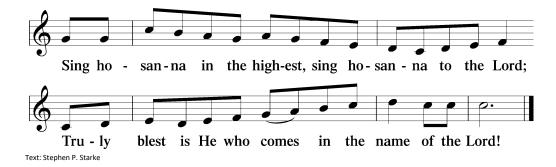
#### PROPER PREFACE

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:



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





#### THE 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.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### **PAX DOMINI**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

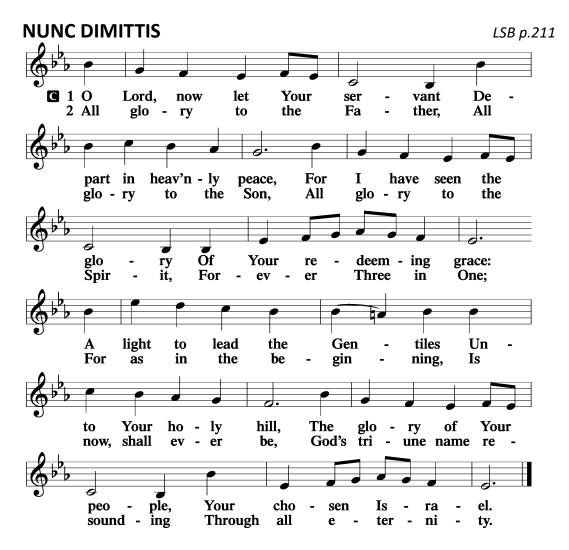
## **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

Christ invites all repentant sinners to partake in His feast of forgiveness – the Lord's Supper. LCMS communicant members are invited to examine their faith using pages 329-330 in the hymnal and receive the Savior's body and blood. Grape juice is available in the center of the trays in lieu of wine. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Visitors wishing to commune should see a pastor or an elder before service. We ask this because we love you.

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

7:30 & 9am—	"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"		LSB 733
9am—	"Cornerstone"	Mote/Liljero/Myrin/	/Morgan/Bradbury
7:30 & 9am—	"O Living Bread from Heaven"		LSB 642

#### **DISMISSAL**



## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

- 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.
- C Amen.

#### BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

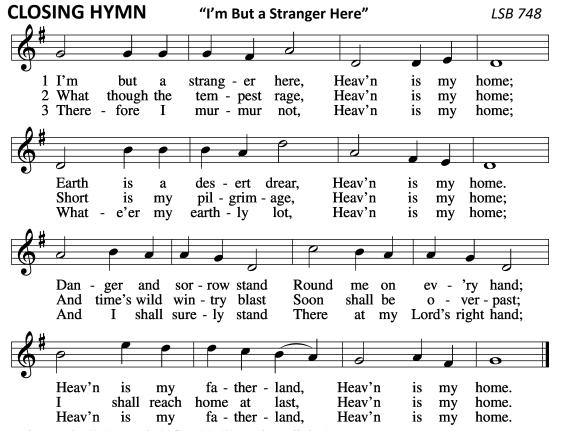
Numbers 6:24-26

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- 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.



Text: Thomas R. Taylor, 1807–35 Tune: Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900 Text and tune: Public domain

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**POSTLUDE** 

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

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PRESIDING MINISTER: Rev. Peter C. Williamson, Associate Pastor

LITURGIST: Rev. James L. Mayland, Senior Pastor

**ORGANIST:** Rod Riese

MUSICIANS: 9am—Praise Team, Brett Schwantes, lead

ELDERS: 7:30am—Bob Zimmerman, Tim Rock; 9am—Dan Schwantes, Jeff Kelm

#### **WELCOME TO TRINITY!**

Your presence is very special to us. May your faith be strengthened and your life enriched as you join us in worship to God!

# TRADITIONAL/BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY— 7:30am & 9am Sunday CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER (SLC)— 5pm Saturday

- WORSHIP SCHEDULE—Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday. We invite those who have been instructed in the teachings of the Evangelical Lutheran Church to receive the Sacrament of the Altar. Others are asked to speak with a pastor before receiving the Sacrament. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.
- **LARGE PRINT**—large print copies of the bulletin are available on the table in the Narthex or you may ask the usher for one.
- CHILDREN'S BULLETINS—for ages 3-6 & 7-12 years, are available on the table in the Narthex.
- **NURSERY**—for children ages 3 & under. The upper level nursery is located near the Church Lounge on Sundays. *Please Note: The upper level nursery will be unstaffed unless volunteers are available.*
- CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—Sunday School is available for children 4 years old through 6th Grade at 10:15am on Sunday mornings during the school year. Christian Education courses for adults and young adults are held at 10:15am on Sunday mornings & various times throughout the week during the school year. Trinity is committed to Christian Education through the 4K-8th grade School and our Childcare (infant through 13 years).
- **ELEVATOR**—is located next to the nursery on the upper level. On the lower level the elevator is located across from Classroom #101, which is past the offices. Use as needed.
- **RESTROOMS**—Narthex level across from the Library, lower level next to the elevator.
- **JOINING TRINITY**—We invite you to become part of this Christian community! If interested in membership, please speak with an elder or pastor, and we will contact you.

# **Automated Giving Options**

#### **MISSION & VISION STATEMENT:**

Teach the Faith—Love the Lost—Connect all to Christ





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