WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION"

- How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- 2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dismayed, For I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
- 3 "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose I will not, I will not, desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never, forsake!
- 4 "When through fiery trials your pathway will lie, My grace, all-sufficient, will be your supply. The flames will not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.
- 5 "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn, Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne." Text: A Selection of Hymas, 1787, London, alt Text: A Selection of Hymas, 1787, London, alt

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM - MIA MARTIN

- 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.
- Image 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.

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

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.

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С	Lord, have mercy;	
	Christ, have mercy;	
	Lord, have mercy.	
GL	LORIA IN EXCELSIS	LSB 204
С	1 To God on high be glory	
	And peace to all the earth;	
	Goodwill from God in heaven	
	Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!	
	We praise and bless You, Father;	
	Your holy name, we sing—	
	Our thanks for Your great glory,	
	Lord God, our heav'nly King.	
	2 To You, O sole-begotten,	
	The Father's Son, we pray;	
	O Lamb of God, our Savior,	
	You take our sins away.	
	Have mercy on us, Jesus;	
	Receive our heartfelt cry,	
	Where You in pow'r are seated	
	At God's right hand on high—	
	3 For You alone are holy;	
	You only are the Lord.	
	Forever and forever,	
	Be worshiped and adored;	
	You with the Holy Spirit	

Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

P Let us pray.

O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

⁷O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him." ¹¹But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Romans 6:12–23

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of

sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C Alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, . . .

²¹"Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²²and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶"So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven."

- **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, Matthew 10:5a, 21–33

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.

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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.

SERMON HYMN "WORD OF GOD, COME DOWN ON EARTH"

- Word of God, come down on earth, Living rain from heav'n descending; Touch our hearts and bring to birth Faith and hope and love unending. Word almighty, we revere You; Word made flesh, we long to hear You.
- Word eternal, throned on high, Word that brought to life creation, Word that came from heav'n to die, Crucified for our salvation, Saving Word, the world restoring, Speak to us, Your love outpouring.
- Word that caused blind eyes to see, Speak and heal our mortal blindness;
 Deaf we are: our healer be; Loose our tongues to tell Your kindness.
 Be our Word in pity spoken, Heal the world, by sin now broken.
- 4 Word that speaks God's tender love, One with God beyond all telling, Word that sends us from above,

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **P** God of love and mercy,
- **C** Hear our prayer.

HYMN"LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL"LSB 955

 Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, And fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; Unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with Your presence, and give us A foretaste of the feast to come. Text. John W. Arthur, 1922-80

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PREFACE

- **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.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we... 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

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C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed... 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

- C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
 - 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray. Text: Stephen P. Starke

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

"TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE"

- Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee. Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-79 Text: Public domain

"JUST AS I AM, WITHOUT ONE PLEA"

 Just as I am, without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come. **LSB 783**

- 2 Just as I am and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- Just as I am, though tossed about
 With many_a conflict, many_a doubt,
 Fightings and fears within, without,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
 Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
 Because Thy promise I believe,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- Just as I am; Thy love unknown Has broken ev'ry barrier down; Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
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NUNC DIMITTIS

- C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
 - 2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P 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

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

- 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.

CLOSING HYMN "ALL FOR CHRIST I HAVE FORSAKEN"

- All for Christ I have forsaken And have taken up my cross;
 Worldly joy, its fame and fortune, Now I count as worthless dross.
- Who is sweeter than Christ Jesus? No good thing in Him I lack! Hand to plow, at peace I follow Where He leads me . . . why look back?
- Gone the past, unknown the future—
 Grace supplies my daily breath;
 Strong in Christ through death's dark valley,
 Firm and faithful unto death.
- When God takes me home to heaven, Should this be the day I die,God will keep my spouse and children As the apple of His eye.
- 5 Though the road ahead be thorny, Though dark clouds all light obscure, Though my cross-shaped path grows steeper, With the Lord, I am secure. Text: Calvin Chao, 1906-96; tr. Stephen P. Starke, 1955 Text: © 1999 Stephen P. Starke, admin. Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110005819

DISMISSAL

- **P** Go in God's peace; love and serve your neighbor!
- **C** Thanks be to God!

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