

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING HYMN “FROM GOD CAN NOTHING MOVE ME” LSB 713 sts. 1, 4, 7

1 From God can nothing move me;  
He will not step aside  
But gently will reprove me  
And be my constant guide.  
He stretches out His hand  
In evening and in morning,  
My life with grace adorning  
Wherever I may stand.

4 Each day at His good pleasure  
God’s gracious will is done.  
He sent His greatest treasure  
In Jesus Christ, His Son.  
He ev’ry gift imparts.  
The bread of earth and heaven  
Are by His kindness given.  
Praise Him with thankful hearts!

△7 For thus the Father willed it,  
Who fashioned us from clay;  
And His own Son fulfilled it  
And brought eternal day.  
The Spirit now has come,  
To us true faith has given;  
He leads us home to heaven.  
O praise the Three in One!

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**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.

**C** Amen.

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## **EPISTLE**

**James 3:1–12**

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. <sup>4</sup>Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, <sup>8</sup>but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of

deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## HOLY GOSPEL

**Mark 9:14–29**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

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

<sup>14</sup>When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. <sup>15</sup>And immediately all the crowd, when they saw Him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted Him. <sup>16</sup>And He asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” <sup>17</sup>And someone from the crowd answered Him, “Teacher, I brought my son to You, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. <sup>18</sup>And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked Your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” <sup>19</sup>And He answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to Me.” <sup>20</sup>And they brought the boy to Him. And when the spirit saw Him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. <sup>21</sup>And Jesus asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. <sup>22</sup>And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” <sup>23</sup>And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.” <sup>24</sup>Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” <sup>25</sup>And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.” <sup>26</sup>And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” <sup>27</sup>But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. <sup>28</sup>And when he had entered the house, His disciples asked Him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” <sup>29</sup>And He said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.”

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

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

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**C 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 Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

**SERMON HYMN**

**“PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS”**

**LSB 849**

- 1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness  
With a liberating light;  
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners,  
Turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,  
Healing ev'ry dread disease,  
Calming storms, and feeding thousands  
With the very Bread of peace.
  
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the children  
With a strong, yet gentle, word;  
Praise the One who drove out demons

With the piercing, two-edged sword.  
Praise the One who brings cool water  
To the desert's burning sand;  
From this Well comes living water,  
Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

- 3 Let us praise the Word Incarnate,  
Christ, who suffered in our place.  
Jesus died and rose victorious  
That we may know God by grace.  
Let us sing for joy and gladness,  
Seeing what our God has done;  
Let us praise the true Redeemer,  
Praise the One who makes us one.

## **SERMON**

### **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.**

### **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.”

## **PAX DOMINI**

**LSB 163**

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

**☉** Amen.

## **AGNUS DEI**

**LSB 163**

**☉** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## **DISTRIBUTION**

### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

#### **“I COME, O SAVIOR, TO THY TABLE”**

**LSB 618**

1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table,  
For weak and weary is my soul;  
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able  
To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain

ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood  
Be for my soul the highest good!

2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning  
That sinners may salvation see  
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;  
So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain

3 Unworthy though I am, O Savior,  
Because I have a sinful heart,  
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,  
For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain

4 Weary am I and heavy laden;  
With sin my soul is sore oppressed;  
Receive me graciously and gladden  
My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain

5 What higher gift can we inherit?  
It is faith's bond and solid base;  
It is the strength of heart and spirit,  
The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain

**“O JESUS, BLESSED LORD, TO THEE”**

**LSB 632**

1 O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee  
My heartfelt thanks forever be,  
Who hast so lovingly bestowed  
On me Thy body and Thy blood.

2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:  
What wealth is come to me this day!  
My Savior dwells within my heart:  
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

**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.

**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.

**C** Amen.

## BENEDICTION

LSB 166

**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 T give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

“MY SOUL, NOW PRAISE YOUR MAKER”

LSB 820  
sts. 1, 4

- 1 My soul, now praise your Maker!  
Let all within me bless His name  
Who makes you full partaker  
Of mercies more than you dare claim.  
Forget Him not whose meekness  
Still bears with all your sin,  
Who heals your ev’ry weakness,  
Renews your life within;  
Whose grace and care are endless  
And saved you through the past;  
Who leaves no suff’rer friendless  
But rights the wronged at last.
  
- 4 His grace remains forever,  
And children’s children yet shall prove  
That God forsakes them never  
Who in true fear shall seek His love.  
In heav’n is fixed His dwelling,  
His rule is over all;  
O hosts with might excelling,  
With praise before Him fall.  
Praise Him forever reigning,  
All you who hear His Word—  
Our life and all sustaining.  
My soul, O praise the Lord!

## DISMISSAL

**P** Go in God's peace; love and serve your neighbor!

**C** Thanks be to God!



