

**St. Luke's  
Lutheran Church**



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*Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.*

**Saturday, March 14, 2026 – 6:00 PM**

**Sunday, March 15, 2026 – 8:30 AM**

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**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

**Divine Service, Setting 2  
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(Series A)**

## **WELCOME**

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, [office@stlukesmanhattan.org](mailto:office@stlukesmanhattan.org), or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

## **AS WE GATHER**

The Lord is grieved by the blindness of His people, yet He does not abandon us to the darkness. Instead, He sends His Son—the Light of the world—to open our eyes and lead us in paths we have not known. Today we hear how Jesus sees a man who cannot see Him, and through His Word and His work gives him new eyes both for this world and for eternal life. In the same way, Jesus comes to us in His Word, in the water of Holy Baptism, and in His Holy Supper to shine His light into our darkness. As we gather, we ask Him to open our eyes once again: to see His mercy, to trust His promises, and to walk as children of light.

## **IMAGE**

I will lead the blind in a way that they do not know, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. *Isaiah 42:16*

## **WELCOME**

## **✠PREPARATION✠**

## 425 WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the  
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and  
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I  
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that  
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.  
sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

Tune: Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

Text and tune: Public domain

### *Stand*

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## INVOCATION

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

**C** Amen.

## EXHORTATION

*LSB 167*

**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.

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

## CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 167

**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.

## ABSOLUTION

**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.

## ✠WORD ✠

## INTROIT

*Psalm 27:4–6; antiphon: Psalm 25:15*

**P** My eyes are ever toward the LORD,

**C** for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

**P** One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

**C** that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

**P** For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

**C** he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

**P** And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;

**C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**P** My eyes are ever toward the LORD,  
**C** for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

### **KYRIE (Greek for “Lord, [have mercy].”)**

*LSB 168*

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



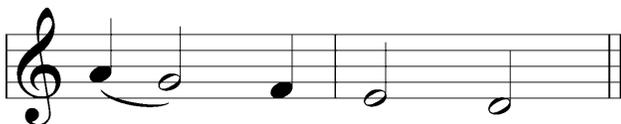
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



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

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,  
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



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

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



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

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

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

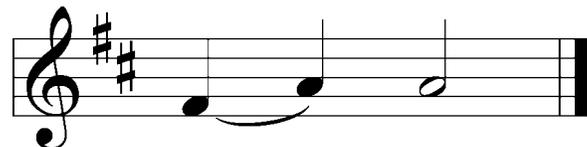
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, our Father of lights, You sent Your Son to shine into the darkness of this world and to open the eyes of the blind. Turn our eyes to Him today, that by His Word and Spirit we may see Your mercy, trust Your promises, and walk as children of light; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Isaiah 42:14-21*

*(The Lord will lead His people in a new way, turning darkness into light.)*

<sup>14</sup>For a long time I have held my peace;  
I have kept still and restrained myself;  
now I will cry out like a woman in labor;  
I will gasp and pant.

<sup>15</sup>I will lay waste mountains and hills,  
and dry up all their vegetation;  
I will turn the rivers into islands,  
and dry up the pools.

<sup>16</sup>And I will lead the blind  
in a way that they do not know,  
in paths that they have not known  
I will guide them.  
I will turn the darkness before them into light,  
the rough places into level ground.

These are the things I do,  
and I do not forsake them.

<sup>17</sup>They are turned back and utterly put to shame,  
who trust in carved idols,  
who say to metal images,  
“You are our gods.”

<sup>18</sup>Hear, you deaf,  
and look, you blind, that you may see!

<sup>19</sup>Who is blind but my servant,  
or deaf as my messenger whom I send?  
Who is blind as my dedicated one,  
or blind as the servant of the LORD?

<sup>20</sup>He sees many things, but does not observe them;  
his ears are open, but he does not hear.

<sup>21</sup>The LORD was pleased, for his righteousness' sake,  
to magnify his law and make it glorious.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL

*Hebrews 12:2*

**L** O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

**C** the founder and perfecter of our faith

**L** who for the joy that was set before Him  
endured the cross, despising the shame,

**C** and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

## EPISTLE

*Ephesians 5:8-14*

*(The Lord positions us to walk as children of light.)*

<sup>8</sup>For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light <sup>9</sup>(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), <sup>10</sup>and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. <sup>13</sup>But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Awake, O sleeper,  
and arise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## VERSE (LENT)

LSB 173



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## HOLY GOSPEL

John 9:1-41

*(Jesus heals a man born blind.)*

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



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>As [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup>And his disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered, *“It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him.”* <sup>4</sup>*We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work.* <sup>5</sup>*As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.”* <sup>6</sup>Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man’s eyes with the mud <sup>7</sup>and said to him, *“Go, wash in the pool of Siloam”* (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

<sup>8</sup>The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” <sup>9</sup>Some said, “It is he.” Others said, “No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” <sup>10</sup>So they said to him, “Then how were your eyes opened?”

<sup>11</sup>He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, '*Go to Siloam and wash.*' So I went and washed and received my sight."

<sup>12</sup>They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

<sup>13</sup>They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup>Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup>So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." <sup>16</sup>Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them.

<sup>17</sup>So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

<sup>18</sup>The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup>and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" <sup>20</sup>His parents answered, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. <sup>21</sup>But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." <sup>22</sup>(His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.) <sup>23</sup>Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

<sup>24</sup>So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner." <sup>25</sup>He answered, "Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." <sup>26</sup>They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?"

<sup>27</sup>He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" <sup>28</sup>And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup>We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." <sup>30</sup>The man answered, "Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. <sup>31</sup>We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. <sup>32</sup>Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. <sup>33</sup>If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." <sup>34</sup>They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, *“Do you believe in the Son of Man?”* <sup>36</sup>He answered, “And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” <sup>37</sup>Jesus said to him, *“You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.”* <sup>38</sup>He said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, *“For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.”* <sup>40</sup>Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, “Are we also blind?” <sup>41</sup>Jesus said to them, *“If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your guilt remains.”*

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



*Sit*

**LAMB'S MESSAGE**

## **“ALL GLORY BE TO JESUS”**

*(Tune: ELLACOMBE — LSB 442 — “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”)*

All glory be to Jesus,  
The Light of all the earth,  
Who opens eyes in darkness  
And gives the blind new birth.

1. He saw the man born sightless,  
Alone beside the way;  
He touched his eyes with mercy  
And healed him on that day.

All glory be to Jesus,  
The Light of all the earth,  
Who opens eyes in darkness  
And gives the blind new birth.

2. He washed where Jesus sent him,  
And light broke through the night;  
He stood before the people  
Confessing Jesus’ might.

All glory be to Jesus,  
The Light of all the earth,  
Who opens eyes in darkness  
And gives the blind new birth.

3. The proud refused the Savior  
And clung to their own sight;  
But Christ received the outcast  
And brought him into light.

All glory be to Jesus,  
The Light of all the earth,  
Who opens eyes in darkness  
And gives the blind new birth.

4. O Lord, remove our blindness  
And keep us in Your grace;  
Then lead us on Your pathways  
Till we behold Your face.

All glory be to Jesus,  
The Light of all the earth,  
Who opens eyes in darkness  
And gives the blind new birth.

## **SERMON**

### **VOTUM**

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C** Amen.

*Stand*

### **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.

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**P** As children of light, let us pray to the Lord who sees us, hears us, and deals bountifully with us in our time of need.

Lord of Light, in Your Son You have brought light into this dark world. Enlighten the eyes of Your Church by Your blessed Gospel. Bless all pastors and church workers, especially those who minister among the deaf and the blind. Guide our Synod president; our district president; and our circuit visitor. Provide faithful shepherds for vacant congregations, and send laborers into Your harvest. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Loving Father, You have claimed us as Your children in Holy Baptism, bringing us out of darkness and into Your marvelous light. Help us to walk as children of light, that Your works may be displayed in us while it is still day. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Patient Lord, You remain slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Give us Your patience in our encounters with the darkness of this world, that we graciously and fearlessly lead those blinded by sin back to You. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Sovereign Lord, You are our refuge and portion in the land of the living. Strengthen our leaders, our government, and all whom You have placed in authority. Open their eyes to see the needs of Your people and Your creation. Grant that they establish laws that are good and right and true. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Merciful Lord, You promise that what we suffer does not condemn us but displays Your glory. Deliver those who cry to You from the darkness of pain, sickness, and grief, *especially [names]*. Help them take heart, trust You for healing, and find You even in the midst of their trials. Hide them in Your shelter and restore to them the joy of being Your children. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Gracious Savior, blessed is everyone who is not offended by You. Give us faith to believe Your blessed testament, seek Your Holy Supper for the forgiveness of our sins, and confess Your truth with honest hearts in the communion of this altar. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, You lead the blind in ways they have not known and turn darkness before them into light. Guide all who wander through rough places, that they may wait for Your salvation and not be put to shame. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer. Amen.**

*Sit*

## OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. Please **send** your offerings to  
St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
4801 Anderson Avenue  
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2. **Electronic Funds Transfer**  
Sign up through the church office.

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE:** Psalm 142:5 – “I cry to you, O LORD; I say, ‘You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living.’” The Lord is our portion, our refuge, our everything. His mercy preserves us through all our days in the land of the living. This confidence frees us from the fear that so often leads to sins of greed and coveting. We have the Lord, we have a Father, He is in control, so we can follow His Word in confidence.

*Stand*

## ✠ SACRAMENT ✠

### PREFACE

*LSB 177*

- 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.**

## PROPER 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, Your Son, our Lord. By His coming into the world, the Light has shone in the darkness, opening the eyes of the blind and calling us to walk as children of light. Through His cross, He has overcome the darkness of sin and death, that we may see Your mercy and behold Your salvation. 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 (Holy)

*LSB 178*

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for in Your great mercy You have sent Your Son, the Light of the world, to open the eyes of the blind and to bring sight to those who sit in darkness. In Him we behold Your grace, Your truth, and the salvation You have prepared for all people.

Gathered in His name and in remembrance of all He has done, we pray that You would shine upon us with Your Word and Spirit. Strengthen our faith, renew our hearts, and lead us to trust the One who gives us new eyes to see. Grant that we may faithfully receive His body and blood as He has promised, rejoicing that in this Holy Supper He comes to us with forgiveness, life, and light. As You once led the blind in paths they had not known, so lead us by Your grace until that day when all Your children shall see You face-to-face in the kingdom that has no end. To You, O Father, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, be all glory, honor, and praise, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*LSB 197*

**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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## LORD'S PRAYER

*LSB 179*

**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.

## PAX DOMINI

*LSB 180*

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



**C** A - men.

# AGNUS DEI (Lamb of God)

LSB 180



**C** 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, grant us peace.

*Sit*

## **The Lord's Supper**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

## **DISTRIBUTION**

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. They then distribute the body and blood of Christ to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.*

*Distribution and dismissal will be done by half tables.*

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

# 411 I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.  
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.  
I want to look at Je - sus.  
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world.  
Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,  
When we have run with pa - tience the race,



The star of my life is Je - sus.  
And show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
We shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



In Him there is no dark - ness at all.



The night and the day are both a - like.



The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.



Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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### 398 HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED



1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer wrong,  
3 He shall come down like show - ers Up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
4 Kings shall fall down be - fore Him And gold and in - cense bring;  
5 O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, He on His throne shall rest,



Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on earth be - gun!  
To help the poor and need - y And bid the weak be strong;  
Love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, Spring in His path to birth.  
All na - tions shall a - dore Him, His praise all peo - ple sing.  
From age to age more glo - rious, All bless - ing and all - blest.



He comes to break op - pres - sion, To set the cap - tive free,  
To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their dark - ness turn to light,  
Be - fore Him on the moun - tains Shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
To Him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And dai - ly vows as - cend;  
The tide of time shall nev - er His cov - e - nant re - move;



To take a - way trans - gres - sion And rule in eq - ui - ty.  
Whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, Were pre - cious in His sight.  
And righ - teous - ness in foun - tains From hill to val - ley flow.  
His king - dom still in - creas - ing, A king - dom with - out end.  
His name shall stand for - ev - er— That name to us is Love.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt.

Tune: Leonhart Schröter, c. 1532–c. 1601

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## 849 PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -  
 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet  
 3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,  
 gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons  
 in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the  
 With the pierc - ing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool  
 That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing  
 wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this  
 glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.  
 Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
 praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

Text: Rusty Edwards, 1955

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*Stand*

# NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 182



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na - tions and the glo - ry of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

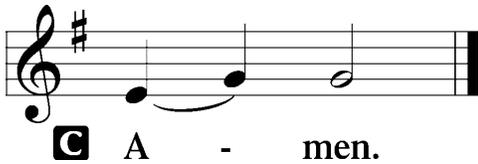


as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## CONCLUDING COLLECT

**P** Let us pray.

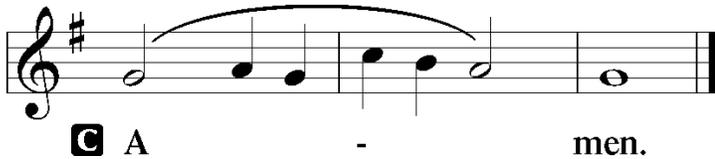
Gracious Father, we give You thanks that in this Holy Supper You have opened our eyes once again to see Your goodness in the body and blood of Your Son. As You have refreshed us with His forgiveness and strengthened us with His life, help us now to walk as children of light. Keep our eyes ever toward You in faith, and turn our hearts toward one another in love, until the day when we see You face-to-face in the kingdom that has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## BENEDICTION

LSB 183

**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.



## GREET ONE ANOTHER

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "The Lord be with you," "Peace be with you," or "The peace of the Lord be with you".*

## 979 GOD, WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD



1 God, whose al - mighty - y word Cha - os and  
2 Lord, who once came to bring, On Your re -  
3 Spir - it of truth and love, Life - giv - ing,  
△ 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, Glo - ri - ous



dark - ness heard And took their flight: Hear us, we  
deem - ing wing, Heal - ing and sight, Health to the  
ho - ly dove, Speed forth Your flight; Move on the  
Trin - i - ty, Wis - dom, love, might! Bound - less as



hum - bly pray, And where the Gos - pel day  
sick in mind, Sight to the in - ly blind:  
wa - ter's face, Bear - ing the lamp of grace,  
o - cean's tide, Roll - ing in full - est pride,



Sheds not its glo - rious ray, Let there be light!  
Oh, now to hu - man-kind Let there be light!  
And in earth's dark - est place Let there be light!  
Through the earth, far and wide, Let there be light!

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