



St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

Saturday, July 18, 2026 – 6:00 PM

Sunday, July 19, 2026 – 8:30 AM

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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(Series A)

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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, 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

In today's readings, the Lord lifts our eyes from the groaning of this world to the glory He has promised in Christ. Isaiah 44 proclaims that the Lord alone is God, the First and the Last, who holds His people fast. Jesus' parable of the wheat and the weeds reminds us that though evil and suffering persist for now, the Son of Man will gather His people into His barn at the end of the age. And in Romans 8, Paul reveals that creation groans, the Church groans, and even the Spirit groans—yet all this groaning is the sound of hope, the ache of redemption drawing near. Today we gather as people who suffer, people who wait, and people who hope, confident that the glory to be revealed in Christ far outweighs the burdens we carry now. In this promise we worship, pray, and rejoice.

IMAGE ON THE COVER

"Creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God." — *Romans 8:21*

WELCOME

✠PREPARATION ✠

794 THE LORD, MY GOD, BE PRAISED



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;
 2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,
 3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,
 △ 4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;
 The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,
 The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.
 To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day
 Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood
 His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,
 The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.
 And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.
 Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.
 God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Johann Olearius, 1611–84; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.

Tune: Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

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Please Remain Standing

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

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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.

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.

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 203

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

ABSOLUTION

LSB 203

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 86:11-15; antiphon: v. 6



- P** Give ear, O LORD, | to my prayer;*
listen to my | plea for grace.
- C** Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk | in your truth;*
unite my heart to | fear your name.
- P** I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with | my whole heart,*
and I will glorify your name for- | ever.
- C** For great is your steadfast | love toward me;*
you have delivered my soul from the depths | of Sheol.
- P** O God, insolent men have risen up against me; a band of ruthless men |
seek my life,*
and they do not set you be- | fore them.
- C** But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and | gracious,*
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and | faithfulness.
- C** Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- P** Give ear, O LORD, | to my prayer;*
listen to my | plea for grace.

KYRIE

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good - will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 205

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord of all creation, You alone are the First and the Last, our Rock and Redeemer. In a world that groans under sin, strengthen us by Your Spirit, that we may wait with hope for the glory to be revealed in Christ. Preserve us as Your wheat until the final harvest, and sustain us with the promise of our redemption; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 44:6-8

(The unrivaled Lord reinforces His power, peace, and purpose for His people.)

⁶Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

“I am the first and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.

⁷Who is like me? Let him proclaim it.
Let him declare and set it before me,
since I appointed an ancient people.

Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.

⁸Fear not, nor be afraid;
have I not told you from of old and declared it?
And you are my witnesses!
Is there a God besides me?
There is no Rock; I know not any.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - Depths of Wisdom, Praise to God

Based on Romans 11:33, 36

Tune: LSB 857 (St. Flavian [CM])

1. O depth of wisdom, knowledge, love,
How high Your judgments rise;
Your ways no mortal mind can trace,
Your thoughts outshine the skies.
2. For from You, through You, unto You
Are all things, Lord of grace;
To You be glory evermore—
All ages sing Your praise.

EPISTLE

Romans 8:18-27

(Creation groans in hope for the glory yet to be revealed.)

¹⁸For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 205



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

(Jesus shares and interprets His story of harvest and final judgment.)

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, *"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. ²⁷And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' ²⁸He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" . . .*

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷He answered, *"The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, ⁴²and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."*

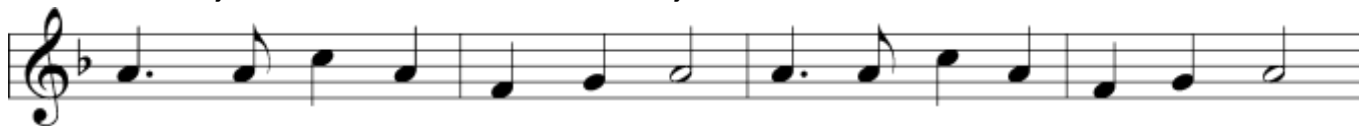
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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LAMB'S MESSAGE

892 COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME



1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home.
2 All the world is God's own field, Fruit un - to His praise to yield;
3 For the Lord, our God, shall come And shall take His har-vest home,
4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come To Thy fi - nal har-vest home;



All be safe - ly gath - ered in Ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, Un - to joy or sor - row grown.
From His field shall in that day All of - fens - es purge a - way,
Gath - er Thou Thy peo - ple in, Free from sor-row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro-vide For our wants to be sup-plied.
First the blade and then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear.
Give His an - gels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,
There, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, In Thy gar - ner to a - bide:



Come to God's own tem - ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we Whole-some grain and pure may be.
But the fruit - ful ears to store In His gar - ner ev - er - more.
Come with all Thine an - gels, come, Raise the glo - rious har-vest home.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–71, alt.

Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816–93

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SERMON

VOTUM

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

C Amen.

Stand

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 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 Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord of all creation, You alone are the First and the Last, our Rock and Redeemer. The whole earth groans under the weight of sin, yet You promise that creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay. Make us faithful stewards of Your world until the day You make all things new in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Raise up faithful witnesses in Your Church who proclaim Your Word with clarity and courage. Keep Your people as good soil, bringing forth an abundant harvest. Bless pastors, teachers, missionaries, and all church workers as they sow the seed of Your Gospel in the fields entrusted to them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon all who deliberate, decide, and serve in the work of our Synod. Grant wisdom to those gathered in convention, guard the lips of those who speak, and open the ears of those who listen. Give integrity to our promises and bless all actions undertaken in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Visit the homes of Your people, that they may be places where faith is nurtured, forgiveness is practiced, and Your Word is honored. Teach us to live our new lives in holiness and righteousness as Your redeemed children. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Loving God, You know the groaning of Your people and the weakness of our flesh. Look with mercy upon the sick, the aged, the infirm, the mourning, and the dying, especially [_____]. Grant healing according to Your will and grace to sustain them in every need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Preserve us in hope for what we do not yet see. As we come to the table of our Lord, grant hearts free from pride, presumption, and every sin that would profane His precious body and blood. Let us rejoice in His bodily presence for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Redeemer and Lord of hosts, remove fear from our hearts and keep us mindful that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. Strengthen us to wait with patience, trusting the Spirit who intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. 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 Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

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OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. Please **send** your offerings to
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
4801 Anderson Avenue
Manhattan, KS 66503

2. **Electronic Funds Transfer** - Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Romans 8:18 – “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.” It is very easy to get caught up in the present and lose track of our ultimate destiny in the kingdom of God. St. Paul encourages us to keep eternity in mind. This certainly has an application to our support for the Gospel — if we keep our focus on “the glory to be revealed,” we will see our tithes and offerings in a new light.

✠SACRAMENT✠

PREFACE

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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, our Lord. In Him You have revealed Yourself as the First and the Last, the only Rock who does not fail. Though creation groans and Your people wait for the redemption of their bodies, You sustain us with the Spirit's intercession and the promise of the coming harvest. 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

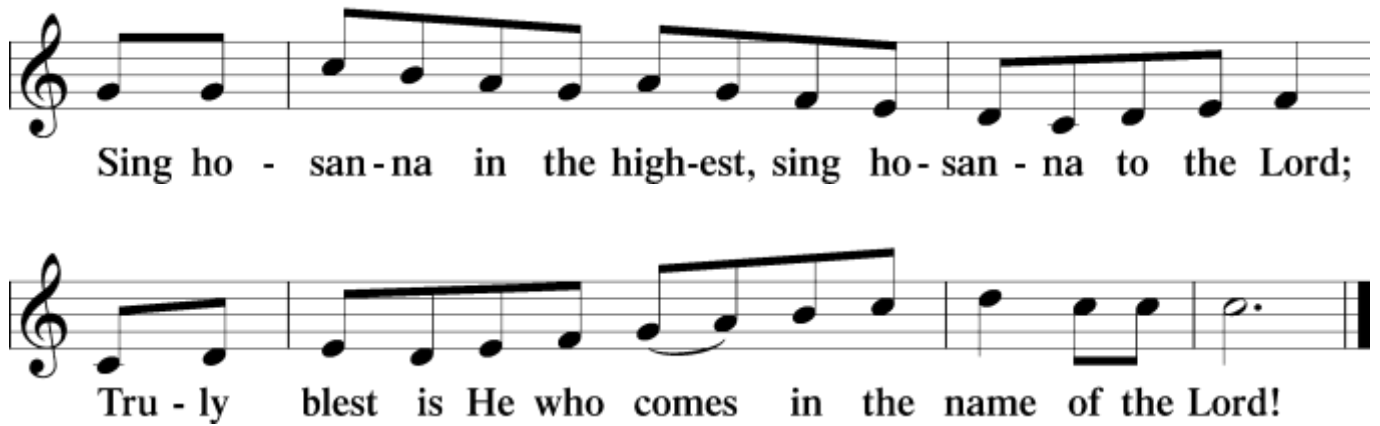
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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



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



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

We thank You, O Lord, that You alone are God, and that Your Word stands forever. Though creation groans under the weight of sin and we ourselves wait for the redemption of our bodies, You have given us the Spirit, who helps us in our weakness and intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words.

As wheat grows amid the weeds, You preserve Your people in hope until the day when the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. And now, in this holy meal, Your Son comes to us as He has promised, giving us His very body and blood, the same body offered on the cross and the same blood poured out for our redemption. Through this Sacrament, grant that the life won by His death and revealed in His resurrection may be ours in full measure. Strengthen our faith, forgive our sins, and sustain us with the foretaste of the glory that will be revealed when He comes again.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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 ✠ 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

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

AGNUS DEI

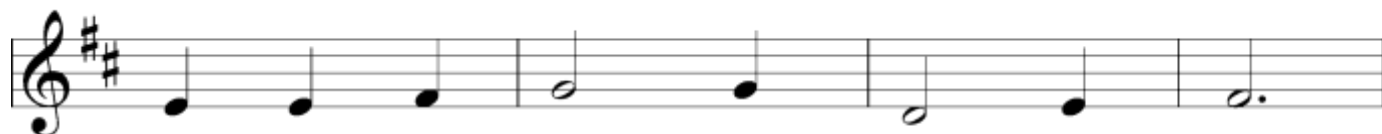
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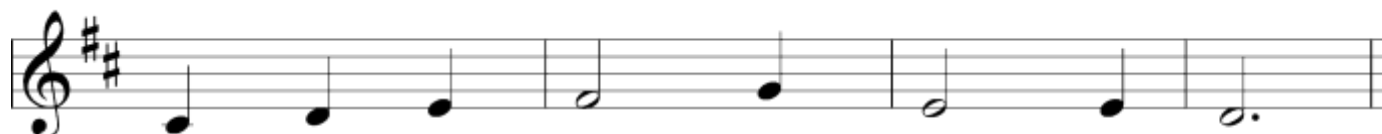
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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.

Sit

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

728 HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,
 3 "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way will lie,
 5 "Through - out all their life - time My peo - ple will prove



Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
 For I am your God and will still give you aid;
 I will not, I will not, de - sert to his foes;
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, will be your sup - ply.
 My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can He say than to you He has said
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,
 The flames will not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
 And then, when gray hairs will their tem - ples a - dorn,



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er, for - sake!
 Your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.
 Like lambs they will still in My bos - om be borne."

Text: A Selection of Hymns, 1787, London, alt.

Tune: Genuine Church Music, 1832, Winchester

Text and tune: Public domain

“Hope Fed by the Spirit”

Based on Romans 8:18-27

(Tune: LSB 857, St. Flavian [CM])

1. The sufferings that we now endure
Are nothing to compare
With glory Christ will soon reveal
For all His saints to share.
2. Creation groans beneath its weight
And longs to be made new;
It waits the day when Christ shall come
And all His works renew.
3. We too now groan within ourselves
And wait the promised hour
When bodies raised in righteousness
Are freed from death's dark power.
4. Yet in our weakness, Spirit prays,
With sighs too deep for words.
For He Himself now pleads for us
With sighs before the throne.
5. He knows the Father's perfect will,
He lifts our hearts in grace;
And through His pleading we are kept
Secure in Christ's embrace.
6. Here at this feast our hope is fed—
Christ's body and His blood;
The pledge of glory yet to come,
Our everlasting good.
7. So strengthen us, O risen Lord,
Until Your day appears;
And feed us now this holy food
That calms our present fears.
8. Then, when creation's groans give way
To joy that fills the skies,
Your children, gathered at Your throne,
Shall in Your likeness rise.

“Gathered as His Wheat”

Based on Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

(Tune: LSB 567, Energy [SM])

1. Lord, sow Your Word in me,
And make my spirit grow;
Though weeds rise up and press me hard,
Your grace keeps me Your own.
2. The evil one would sow
His fear and choking lies;
But You, O Christ, have claimed my field—
Your cross has made me wise.
3. You plant me as Your wheat,
You guard me night and day;
And at Your Table now You feed
The life Your death has won.
4. Here, in this holy feast,
Your body makes me whole;
Your blood, once poured upon the cross,
Restores and calms my soul.
5. Though weeds and trials remain,
They cannot steal Your care;
Your angels wait the final hour
When all is bright and fair.
6. Then, gathered to Your barn,
Your saints in glory shine;
But till that harvest dawns at last,
You feed us living food.
7. Lord, keep us firm and true—
Your wheat within Your hand;
And send us strengthened from this feast
To live what You have planned.

700 LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us
 4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
 ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
 all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -
 spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
 Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
 turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
 great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
 and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
 as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee
 heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–88
Tune: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–87
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NUNC DIMITTIS

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1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, You have fed us with the very body and blood of Your Son, our Rock and Redeemer. Through this holy gift, strengthen us for patient endurance in a world that still groans under the weight of sin. As the wheat and weeds grow together until the final harvest, keep us steadfast in hope, confident that the glory to be revealed far surpasses present suffering. Preserve us in faith, sustain us by Your Spirit, and send us forth in 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.

BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

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.

C Amen.

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".

CLOSING SONG

663 RISE, MY SOUL, TO WATCH AND PRAY



1 Rise, my soul, to watch and pray; From your sleep a - wak -
 2 Watch a - gainst the dev - il's snares Lest a - sleep he find
 3 Watch! Let not the wick - ed world With its lies de - feat
 4 Watch a - gainst your - self, my soul, Lest with grace you tri -
 5 But while watch - ing, al - so pray To the Lord un - ceas -



en! Be not by the e - vil day Un - a - wares o'er -
 you; For in - deed no pains he spares To de - ceive and
 you Lest with bold de - cep - tions hurled It be - tray and
 fle; Let not self your thoughts con - trol Nor God's mer - cy
 ing. God pro - tects you day by day, Strength and faith in -



tak - en; For the foe, Well we know, Is a
 blind you. Sa - tan's prey Oft are they Who se -
 cheat you. Watch and see Lest there be Faith - less
 sti - fle. Pride and sin Lurk with - in, All your
 creas - ing, So that still Mind and will Shall u -



har - vest reap - ing While the saints are sleep - ing.
 cure are sleep - ing And no watch are keep - ing.
 friends to charm you, Who but seek to harm you.
 hopes to shat - ter; Heed not when they flat - ter.
 nite to serve Him And for - ev - er love Him.

Text: Johann Burkhard Freystein, 1671–1718; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Hundert . . . geistlicher Arien, 1694, Dresden, alt.

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