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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Divine Service, Setting 1

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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

It is almost the end of the Easter Season, and we would like it to continue. The non-festival half of the Church Year doesn't seem as, well, festive. But listen to the Readings! There are people, like Paul in the Reading from Acts, who need support today. And Lydia is an example of a new Christian, ready to help. The vision in Revelation showed John's readers the perfect city, ready to welcome all whose names are in the Book of Life (that's us)! We can hardly wait to get there.

Having been shown the perfect new Jerusalem, we can help people around us who have no idea what awaits people of faith. That means not only telling them but also healing and helping in Jesus' name. He is with us right now!

IMAGE ON THE COVER

Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. . . . Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked. *John 5:2–5, 8–9*

WELCOME

✠ PREPARATION ✠

907 GOD HIMSELF IS PRESENT



1 God Him - self is pres - ent: Let us now a - dore Him
 2 God Him - self is pres - ent: Hear the harps re - sound - ing;
 3 Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Pu - ri - fy my spir - it,



And with awe ap - pear be - fore Him. God is in His
 See the hosts the throne sur - round - ing. "Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 Trust-ing on - ly in Your mer - it. Like the ho - ly



tem - ple; All with - in keep si - lence; Hum - bly kneel in
 ho - ly!" Hear the hymn as - cend - ing, Songs of saints and
 an - gels, Wor - ship - ing be - fore You, May I cease-less -



deep - est rev - 'rence. He a - lone On His throne
 an - gels blend - ing. Bow Your ear To us here:
 ly a - dore You. Let Your will Ev - er still



Is our God and Sav - ior; Praise His name for - ev - er!
 Hear, O Christ, the prais - es That Your Church now rais - es.
 Rule Your Church ter - res - trial As the hosts ce - les - tial.

Text: Gerhard Tersteegen, 1697–1769, abr.; tr. Frederick W. Foster, 1760–1835, alt.; tr. John Miller, 1756–90, alt.

Tune: Joachim Neander, 1650–80

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Stand

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

INVOCATION

LSB 151

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

EXHORTATION

LSB 151

- 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 151

- 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

LSB 151

- 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 55:4, 16-18; antiphon: v. 22



P Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you;*
he will never permit the righteous to | be moved.

C My heart is in anguish with- | in me;*
the terrors of death have fallen up- | on me.

P But I | call to God,*
and the LORD will | save me.

C Evening and morning and at noon I utter my com- | plaint and moan,*
and he | hears my voice.

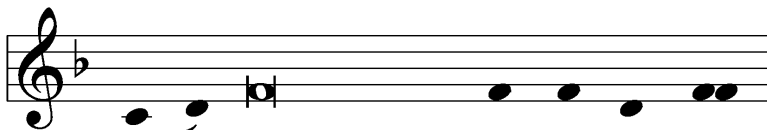
P He redeems my soul in safety from the battle | that I wage,*
for many are arrayed a- | gainst me.

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 Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you;*
he will never permit the righteous to | be moved.

KYRIE

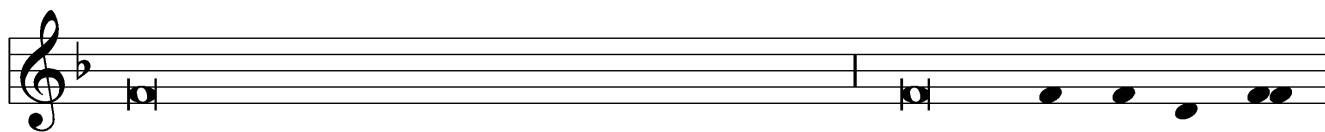
LSB 152



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



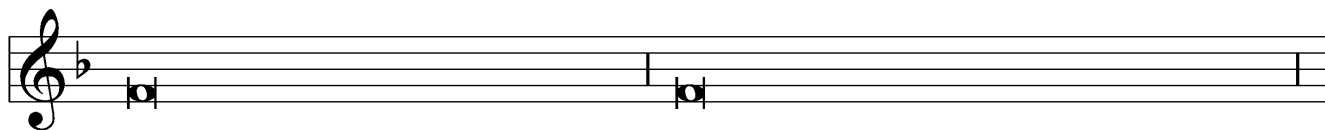
C Lord, have mer - cy.



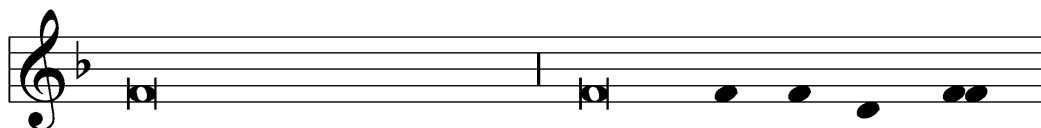
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



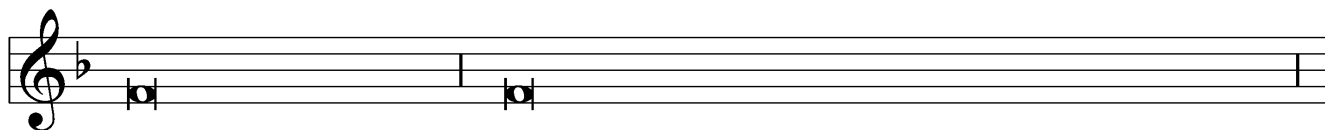
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



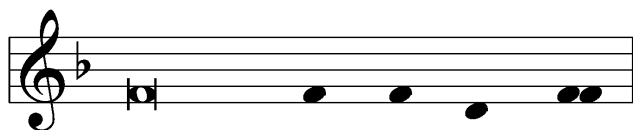
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



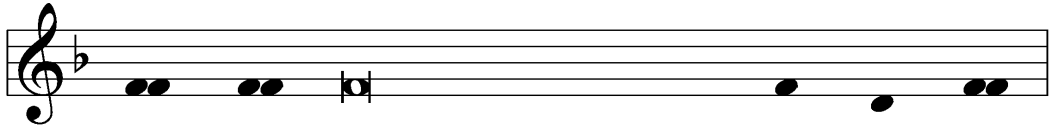
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



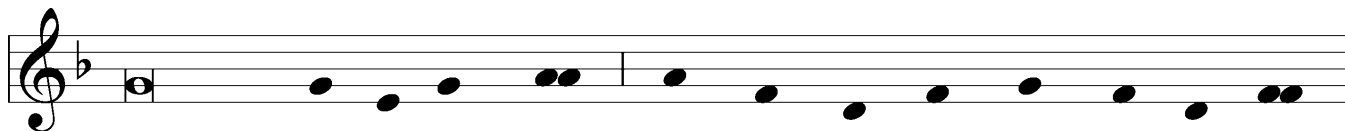
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE – GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 154



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



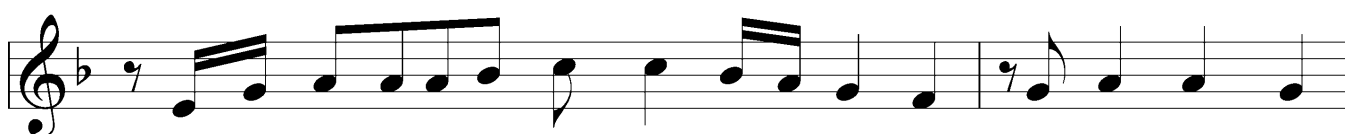
We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



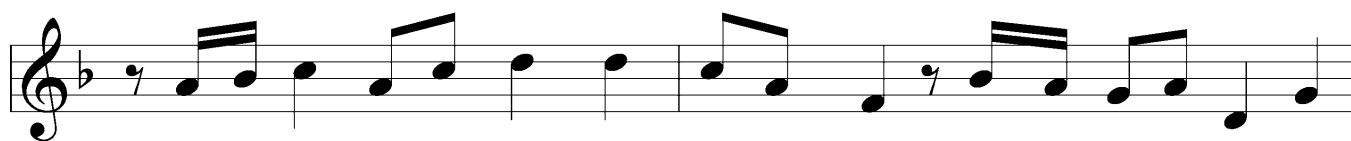
You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



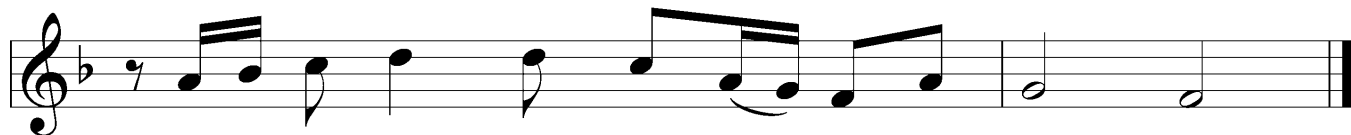
You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a - lone are the Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 156

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, our Lord Jesus has returned to You, but He promised us to live with Him in the new Jerusalem.

C **Grant us, by Your Spirit, steadfastness of faith, so that we never doubt but will live each day in joyful expectation of seeing Him again;**

P through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

FIRST READING

Acts 16:9-15

(Paul goes to Macedonia and baptizes Lydia.)

⁹A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. ¹⁴One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 67; antiphon: v. 3

L ³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
C let all the peoples praise you!

L ¹May God be gracious to us and bless us
C and make his face to shine upon us,

L ²that your way may be known on earth,
C your saving power among all nations.

L ³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
C let all the peoples praise you!

L ⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
C for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

L ⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
C let all the peoples praise you!

L ⁶The earth has yielded its increase;
C God, our God, shall bless us.

L ⁷God shall bless us;
C let all the ends of the earth fear him!

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.

L ³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
C let all the peoples praise you!

EPISTLE

Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

(John sees the heavenly Jerusalem.)

⁹Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” ¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹²It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— ¹³on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

²¹And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

²²And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 156



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 16:23-33

(Jesus prepares the disciples for His leaving them.)

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



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

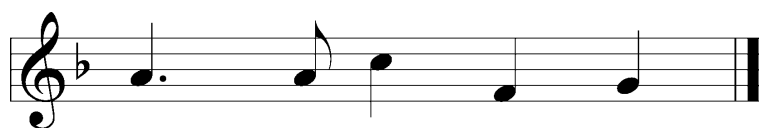
²³[Jesus said:] *"In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.*

²⁵*"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."*

²⁹His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.”

³¹Jesus answered them, *“Do you now believe? ³²Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. ³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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.

Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

556 DEAR CHRISTIANS, ONE AND ALL, REJOICE

sts. 1, 7-10



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joice, With ex - ul - ta - tion
7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and
8 "Though he will shed My pre-cious blood, Me of My life be -
9 "Now to My Fa - ther I de - part, From earth to heav'n as -
10 "What I on earth have done and taught Guide all your life and



spring - ing, And with u - nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly
cas - tle. Your ran - som I My - self will be; For you I
reav - ing, All this I suf - fer for your good; Be stead - fast
cend - ing, And, heav'n - ly wis - dom to im - part, The Ho - ly
teach - ing; So shall the king - dom's work be wrought And hon - ored



rap - ture sing - ing, Pro - claim the won - ders God has done, How
strive and wres - tle. For I am yours, and you are Mine, And
and be - liev - ing. Life will from death the vic - t'ry win; My
Spir - it send - ing; In trou - ble He will com - fort you And
in your preach - ing. But watch lest foes with base al - loy The



His right arm the vic - t'ry won. What price our ran - som cost Him!
where I am you may re - main; The foe shall not di - vide us.
in - no - cence shall bear your sin, And you are blest for - ev - er.
teach you al - ways to be true And in - to truth shall guide you.
heav'n - ly trea - sure should de - stroy; This fi - nal word I leave you."

Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Richard Massie, 1800-87, alt.

Tune: Etlich Cristlich lider, 1524, Wittenberg

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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.

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: Acts 16:9 – “And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, ‘Come over to Macedonia and help us.’” God does all the saving of the Macedonians, but He does it through the ministry of St. Paul who was called to go and help them out. How is the Lord calling you to use your gifts for His work?

Stand

OFFERTORY

LSB 159



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for all people, for the church, and for ourselves.

772 IN HOLY CONVERSATION

st. 1

1 In ho - ly con - ver - sa - tion We speak to God in prayer,
And at His in - vi - ta - tion Our deep - est thoughts we share.
We come, His will o - bey - ing, As chil - dren bring - ing needs;
And to sup - port our pray - ing, His Spir - it in - ter - cedes.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a '1' indicating the first ending. The piece concludes with a double bar line on the fourth staff.

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PART 2

P Hear our prayer, heavenly Father, for we ask this in Jesus' name: Visit and relieve those many people who are denied what they need in food, clothing, or shelter. Grant relief to those languishing because of injustice or oppression. Surround the poor, sick, and dying with people to care for their various needs. Open doors of opportunity for faith-filled brothers and sisters in Christ that they may care for the physical, social, and spiritual needs of people around them with Your protection and guidance.

C Hear our prayer and answer, that our joy may be full.

772 IN HOLY CONVERSATION

st. 2

2 These ho - ly con - ver - sa - tions Be - gin in child-like ways;
We bring our sup - pli - ca - tions And words of thanks and praise.
With care our Fa - ther lis - tens To ev - 'ry thought ex - pressed,
Then an - swers our pe - ti - tions In ways He knows are best.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a '2' indicating a second ending or a specific tempo. The lyrics are: '2 These ho - ly con - ver - sa - tions Be - gin in child-like ways;' on the first staff, 'We bring our sup - pli - ca - tions And words of thanks and praise.' on the second, 'With care our Fa - ther lis - tens To ev - 'ry thought ex - pressed,' on the third, and 'Then an - swers our pe - ti - tions In ways He knows are best.' on the fourth. The score ends with a double bar line.

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PART 3

- P** Hear our prayer, heavenly Father, for we are as children, only asking for what You deem best. Listen to our deep longings, our unspoken yearning, and the circumstances of our own lives. In Your mercy and love, assure us of Your presence despite whatever ills we might have. Be with those near and dear to us who call out for healing, strength, and comfort, [*especially . . .*]. Assure them of Your presence even now.
- C** Hear our prayer and answer, that our joy may be full.

772 IN HOLY CONVERSATION

st. 3

3 As ho - ly con - ver - sa - tion, In si - lence or by word,
In ev - 'ry sit - u - a - tion Through Je - sus, we are heard.
So let us pray se - cure - ly, Ex - press - ing hopes and fears
With con - fi - dence that sure - ly Our Fa - ther ev - er hears.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is a simple, hymn-like tune. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The first staff begins with a '3' indicating a triplet. The piece ends with a double bar line on the fourth staff.

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FINAL

P We give thanks, heavenly Father, for the faith Your Holy Spirit has placed within us. We know the promise of heaven and long for the new Jerusalem. We, like John, look forward to that new Jerusalem, and like Lydia, have heard the Good News of our Savior and rejoice. We are confident that Your ears are open to our requests for ourselves, our circle of friends and family, and all the faithful who gather with us. Answer our prayers as fits Your plans for us, the church around the world, and all people in their various circumstances.

C **Hear our prayer and answer, that our joy may be full.**

P We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

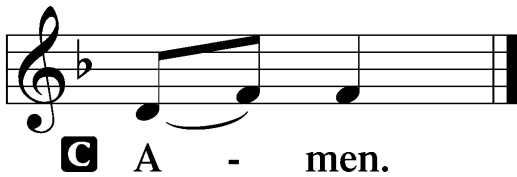
C **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

CONCLUDING COLLECT

P Let us pray.

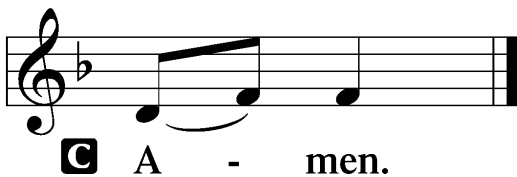
Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



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 ✠ 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".

469 CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY



1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" Saints on earth and an - gels say;
2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Fought the fight, the bat - tle won;
3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply.
Lo! Our Sun's e-clipse is o'er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.
Death in vain for-bids His rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once He died our souls to save; Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?

5 Soar we now where Christ has led;
Foll'wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
Thee we greet triumphant now:
Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

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