ST. JOHN’S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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***St. John’s Lutheran Church*** *is a supporting congregation Calvary Lutheran High School, Jefferson City, 638-0228.*

**Today** the paraments are green as we enter the “normal time” of the church year. The readings throughout this non-festival half of the year focus on Jesus’ teaching and our maturing in the faith.

**The Lord’s Supper** is celebrated today. If you have been instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and believe that with the bread and wine Christ gives you His true body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins and belong to the LCMS fellowship, you are invited to join in this blessed Sacrament. (If you are desiring to commune for the first time at St. John’s as a Lutheran or you are a non-Lutheran, **please see the pastor prior to the service**).

**Worship**: Currently, we will have services at 9am on Sunday. We will be outdoors if weather permits. Otherwise, we will split between church and parish hall. Or you can watch livestream from home and come later to receive the Lord’s Supper.

**Lord’s Supper**: We will offer the Lord’s Supper at each service so that all have opportunity to receive this gift of the Lord. If feel unsafe coming to church on Sunday morning during this time, please contact Pastor Whittle to receive the Lord’s Supper at a different time. If worship is inside, Pastor will offer “drive-by” communion at 11:30 and 2 on Sundays outside the front door of the church.

**Bible Study/Sunday School**: We will not have in-person Bible study or Sunday School until further notice. We are working on alternate means of providing such faith-strengthening activities.

The Gideons faithfully continue to send out the Word of God into the world. We welcome Russ Titus as he shares an update on the organization’s work.

CALVARY INSIDER – What had been happening the past few weeks….

* The Class of 2022 was excited to pick up their class rings this week
* We can’t wait to welcome over 50 youth archers on campus next week – thank you to so many families for working through COVID procedures to keep all archers safe! The CLHS team is looking forward to working with this great group of young archers!
* New Family Orientations are scheduled & we are eager to welcome new families on campus!
* Our co-op softball team hosted 5 inning double headers against Capital City High School at Russellville last week
* Calvary baseball & cross country athletes are enjoying some “open field” and “summer conditioning” time together to prepare for their fall seasons

BE A LION – As we prepare for the 2020-2021 academic year, we cannot wait to have

students back on campus! With our caring faculty, safe Christian environment, strong

academics, and plentiful activities and athletics, we offer an awesome high school

experience. If you know a family with a high school student that would excel in this

environment, please reach out to them and us! We would love share more about what

Calvary has to offer and continue Building Christian Leaders! Contact Renee Duenckel at

573-638-0228 or duenckelr@calvarylhs.org.

CALVARY’S GIFT IS OPEN – Calvary’s Gift is OPEN! Thank you to the MANY volunteers that make the store happen and be an amazing blessing to our community at to Calvary! Hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. with donations accepted until 12:30 p.m. If you have time this summer to help, NEW VOLUNTEERS would be greatly appreciated! Contact John Meisel at 573-821-8875 if you can bless Calvary’s Gift in this way.

WANT TO HELP THIS SUMMER?...FLOORS & FURNITURE REPAIR – If fixing or

polishing are your thing, volunteer by helping scrub & shine our floors or help repair our

auditorium chairs. For more information, contact John Christman (573-638-0228 or

administrator@calvarylhs.org).

POSITIONS AVAILABLE - As we look forward to the 2020-2021 academic year, Calvary is seeking mission-minded individuals to fill the following part-time or stipend positions:

Band, Choir, College English, and Assistant Boys Basketball Coach. Resumes will be accepted until the positions are filled and may be submitted to Calvary at 2525 Route B, Jefferson City, MO 65101. For more information, please contact John Christman at 573-638-0228 or administrator@calvarylhs.org.

SUMMER CAMP UPDATE – The archery youth camp plus all high school camps are moving forward as scheduled. Due to the complexity of our new reality, all other youth camps have been cancelled this summer.

Last Sunday, June 14, 2020:

Attendance: 88

Offerings: $2895/$291/$140(electronic)

592 Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

1 Dearest Jesus, we are here,
 Gladly Your command obeying;
With this child we now draw near
 In response to Your own saying
That to You it shall be given
As a child and heir of heaven.

2 Your command is clear and plain,
 And we would obey it duly:
“You must all be born again,
 Heart and life renewing truly,
Born of water and the Spirit,
And My kingdom thus inherit.”

3 Therefore we have come to You,
 In our arms this infant bearing.
Truly here Your grace we view;
 May this child, Your mercy sharing,
In Your arms be shielded ever,
Yours on earth and Yours forever.

4 Gracious Head, Your member own;
 Shepherd, take Your lamb and feed it;
Prince of Peace, make here Your throne;
 Way of Life, to heaven lead it;
Precious Vine, let nothing sever
From Your side this branch forever.

5 Now into Your heart we pour
 Prayers that from our hearts proceeded.
Our petitions heav’nward soar;
 May our hearts’ desires be heeded!
Write the name we now have given;
Write it in the book of heaven!

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Stand

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved.” And the apostle Peter has written, “Baptism now saves you.”

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

The pastor addresses the child’s parents:

P How is this child named?

R *Raelynn Olivia Zimmerman*

The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of each candidate while saying:

P Raelynn Olivia Zimmerman, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your T forehead and upon your T heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold [name(s)] according to Your boundless mercy and bless her with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in her, which has been inherited from Adam and which she herself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that she be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, she would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The pastor places his hands on the head(s) of the candidate(s), and the congregation joins in praying:

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.**

P The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even T forevermore.

C **Amen.**

Sit

The pastor addresses the candidate and asks the following questions, with the parents and sponsors speaking on behalf of those too young to answer:

P *Raelynn Olivia*, do you renounce the devil?

R *Yes, I renounce him.*

P Do you renounce all his works?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you renounce all his ways?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Do you believe 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?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Do you 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?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Raelynn Olivia, do you desire to be baptized?

R *Yes, I do.*

The pastor pours water three times on the head of each candidate while saying:

P *Raelynn Olivia Zimmerman*, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized while saying:

P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life T everlasting.

C **Amen.**

A baptismal candle may be lit from the paschal candle and given to the newly baptized:

P Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

The newly baptized may be welcomed with the following:

A In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you *a member* of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and *an heir* with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus’ name as our *sister* in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

C **Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.**

Stand

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Raelynn Olivia the new birth in Holy Baptism and made her a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as she has now become Your child, You would keep her in her baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure she may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

One or more of the following collects may also be prayed.

P Heavenly Father, You sent Your own Son into this world as the child of the virgin Mary. We thank You for the life of this child entrusted to our care. Help us remember that we are all Your children and so love and nurture her that she may attain to the full stature intended for him in Your eternal kingdom, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Lord and Giver of life, look with kindness upon the father and mother of[this child and upon all our parents. Let them ever rejoice in the gift You have given them. Enable them to be teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism that they may share eternally with their children the salvation You have given them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Almighty and everlasting God, since You govern and sanctify the whole Christian Church by Your Holy Spirit, hear our prayers for all her members, and mercifully grant that by Your grace we may serve You in true faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Peace T be with you.

C **Amen.**

All return to their places.

Introit *Psalm 56:3–4, 10–11; antiphon: v. 13*

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from | falling,\*
 that I may walk before God in the | light of life.
**When I | am afraid,\*
 I put my | trust in you.**
In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.\*
 What can flesh | do to me?
**In God, whose | word I praise,\*
 in the Lord, whose | word I praise,**
in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.\*
 What can man | do to me?
**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.**For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from | falling,\*
 that I may walk before God in the | light of life.

Kyrie *LSB 186*

C **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 187*

P Glory be to God on high:

C **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**

**We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,**

**we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**

**O Lord God, heav’nly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

**that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.**

**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.**

**Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,**

**art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

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

C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 20:7–13*

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

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *Romans 6:12–23*

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

 15What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! 16Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? 17But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, 18and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. 19I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

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

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia *LSB 190*

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel *Matthew 10:5a, 21–33*

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

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

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

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

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

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Sit

666 O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe

1 O little flock, fear not the foe
Who madly seeks your overthrow;
 Dread not his rage and pow’r.
And though your courage sometimes faints,
His seeming triumph o’er God’s saints
 Lasts but a little hour.

2 Be of good cheer; your cause belongs
To Him who can avenge your wrongs;
 Leave it to Him, our Lord.
Though hidden yet from mortal eyes,
His Gideon shall for you arise,
 Uphold you and His Word.

3 As true as God’s own Word is true,
Not earth nor hell’s satanic crew
 Against us shall prevail.
Their might? A joke, a mere facade!
God is with us and we with God—
 Our vict’ry cannot fail.

4 Amen, Lord Jesus, grant our prayer;
Great Captain, now Thine arm make bare,
 Fight for us once again!
So shall Thy saints and martyrs raise
A mighty chorus to Thy praise
 Forevermore. Amen.

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Sermon

Stand

Offertory *LSB 192*

C **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

**Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.**

**Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P O merciful Father, hear Your people as they pray in the name of Jesus on behalf of all manner and conditions of people.

*Brief silence*

Faithful God, when we are fearful of our enemies and weary of the struggle, You have been our shield and our strength. Grant to us the full measure of Your grace to sustain us against all who are against us, and help us to endure the trials and temptations of this mortal life and be faithful unto death. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, with Your favor upon us, we pray You to help us in our fight against temptation and sin. Help us to live holy and righteous lives by the power of Your Spirit, and keep us from surrendering ourselves to the slavery from which Christ has set us free. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, with the witness of the saints before us and the courage of Your Holy Spirit within us, we pray You to help us to maintain the faithful confession and to contend for the faith in our own age as did those who confessed Christ at Augsburg. Give to all the churches of the Augsburg Confession unity of doctrine and harmony of life together under the cross of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, we remember those who serve us in Jesus’ name. Bless the leaders of our Synod, all pastors and teachers, and all church workers, that they may be faithful in their calling and honor Christ with an obedient life. Raise up those who will follow in their steps and serve Your Kingdom in the years to come. Today, we remember specifically Pastor Powell and Pastor Schlie as they serve the congregation of Trinity, missionaries Cheryl Naumann, Amy James and Andrew Schaff and military chaplains Jeremy Davis, Bobby Niemtschk, and James Daub. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, give grace to those being baptized, to the catechumens in their instruction, and to all the places where Your people gather to learn Your Word. Equip us to live out the promise of our baptismal life under Your grace, and guide us to love our neighbors as You have loved us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, give healing and strength to the sick and all afflicted in body or mind, and grant to those who struggle the gift of peace of mind and heart. Hear us especially for those who have requested our prayers *including Marilyn Brandt, Melanie (nee Jungmeyer), Marie Scheperle, Larry Denny, Bradley Scheperle, and Rita Rustmeyer* and those whom we name in our hearts now. Restore our nation and the world in health and livelihood, and preserve us from pestilence and fear. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, You give life and you bring death. You chasten and you heal. Strengthen those who rejoice, that they may hold fast to You in faith all of their days. Bless especially Mike Hagen (6/23), Christen Henderson (6/23) as they celebrate birthdays and William & Cindy Kautsch as they celebrate their anniversary. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, by Your Word and table You continue to feed and nourish Your people with all that will sustain our lives and faith. Help us to receive these gifts with faith and with repentance. Bring us to that day when all earthly divisions will cease and, united in faith, we shall be one people before Your altar. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, sanctify us as Your people and make us bold to confess You on earth. When this earthly life is ended and we stand before You on high, grant us to hear the Savior’s acknowledgment that we are His and He is ours forever. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P All these things, Father, and everything else for which we need, we pray You to grant us for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who died and rose and lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Preface *LSB 194*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, 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. 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 *LSB 195*

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;**

**heav’n and earth are full of Thy glory.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Lord’s Prayer *LSB 196*

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 *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 T 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 T 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 197*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei *LSB 198*

C **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

Sit

Distribution

637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;
Offered was He for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.

2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
To all believers life eternal yields;
With heav’nly bread He makes the hungry whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

3 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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562 All Mankind Fell in Adam’s Fall

1 All mankind fell in Adam’s fall;
One common sin infects us all.
From one to all the curse descends,
And over all God’s wrath impends.

2 Through all our pow’rs corruption creeps
And us in dreadful bondage keeps;
In guilt we draw our infant breath
And reap its fruits of woe and death.

3 From hearts depraved, to evil prone,
Flow thoughts and deeds of sin alone;
God’s image lost, the darkened soul
Seeks not nor finds its heav’nly goal.

4 But Christ, the second Adam, came
To bear our sin and woe and shame,
To be our life, our light, our way,
Our only hope, our only stay.

5 As by one man all mankind fell
And, born in sin, was doomed to hell,
So by one Man, who took our place,
We all were justified by grace.

6 We thank You, Christ; new life is ours,
New light, new hope, new strength, new pow’rs.
This grace our ev’ry way attend
Until we reach our journey’s end.

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900 Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love

1 Jesus! Name of wondrous love,
Name all other names above,
Unto which must ev’ry knee
Bow in deep humility.

2 Jesus! Name decreed of old,
To the maiden mother told,
Kneeling in her lowly cell,
By the angel Gabriel.

3 Jesus! Name of priceless worth
To the fallen of the earth
For the promise that it gave,
“Jesus shall His people save.”

4 Jesus! Name of mercy mild,
Given to the holy Child
When the cup of human woe
First He tasted here below.

5 Jesus! Only name that’s giv’n
Under all the mighty heav’n
Whereby those to sin enslaved
Burst their fetters and are saved.

6 Jesus! Name of wondrous love,
Human name of God above;
Pleading only this, we flee
Helpless, O our God, to Thee.

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Stand

After all have communed and returned to their places, the following is said:

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart T in peace.

C **Amen.**

Nunc Dimittis *LSB 199*

C **Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,**

**for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,**

**a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Thanksgiving *LSB 200*

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C **and His mercy endureth forever.**

A 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.**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

Benedicamus *LSB 202*

A Bless we the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction *LSB 202*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.

C **Amen, amen, amen.**

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1 O God of light, Your Word, a lamp unfailing,
 Shall pierce the darkness of our earthbound way
And show Your grace, Your plan for us unveiling,
 And guide our footsteps to the perfect day.

2 From days of old, through blind and willful ages,
 Though we rebelled, You gently sought again
And spoke through saints, apostles, prophets, sages,
 Who wrote with eager or reluctant pen.

3 Undimmed by time, those words are still revealing
 To sinful hearts Your justice and Your grace;
And questing spirits, longing for Your healing,
 See Your compassion in the Savior’s face.

4 To all the world Your summons You are sending,
 Through all the earth, to ev’ry land and race,
That myriad tongues, in one great anthem blending,
 May praise and celebrate Your gift of grace.

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