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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 continue 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**).

**Mark your calendar for August 8** and pack your swimsuit! The youth (age limit is 100) will be headed to a river for the annual float trip. Stay tuned for more information.

**Blood Drive at Calvary LHS sponsored by Key Club** on August 11 (after you recover from floating), from 1-7pm. Appointments are encouraged. Contact Ruth Temme (812-480-8505) for more information.

**Help Needed with livestreaming.** If you would like to learn more about the livestreaming and help operate it, please contact Pastor Whittle for more information.

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

* Through July, students organized “Lemonade League” summer intramurals! Every Tuesday in July, all CLHS students are invited to get outside for some fun! So far we have had fun playing soccer and ultimate Frisbee… next week – kickball! Check out our Facebook page, @clhsjcmo, to see all of the smiling faces!
* Huge success for our Archery team… they participated at the 2020 Conservation Heritage Foundation Scholarship Shoot-Off at the Linc. The team finished 3rd – which is above their season average, even after limited summer practice opportunities! Congrats to the ladies: Jocelyn Scheppers (6th), Rebecca Schatte (7th), Molly Wolken (15th). Congrats to the boys: Jacob Johnson (13th), Carter Hunget (18th), Jared Braun (21st). Shout out to Rebecca Schatte for qualifying for a junior/senior level scholarship. Way to go TEAM!
* Many of our Calvary track & field athletes participated in the Russellville Summer Series meet. Athletes from different schools rounded out relay teams – it was a great display of teamwork and sportsmanship!
* Pick up the latest edition of Sports Locker magazine to see our very own Coach Mark Buffington as the “featured coach” in the July/August issue. What a blessing he has been to the entire Calvary family!
* The week wrapped up with the highly anticipated “Calvary Summer Retreat!” Over 60 students, faculty, and parent volunteers attended this awesome 3-day, 2-night camp experience. Be sure to ask a Calvary student or faculty about this incredible team-building, family-atmosphere creating event!

SUMMER HOURS – For the month of July, the Calvary school office will be open regularly Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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, 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](mailto:administrator@calvarylhs.org).

AS YOU BEGIN TO SCHOOL SHOP – If you shop with Amazon and you’re looking for a simple way to benefit Calvary, consider using smile.amazon.com! You can designate the Lutheran High School Association of Missouri as your charity of choice, and Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases back to Calvary. This is a great way to support Calvary with something you already do, and every purchase counts!

Last Sunday, July 12, 2020:

Attendance: 80

Offerings: $1792 / $249.50 / $640 (electronic)

901 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

1 Open now thy gates of beauty;  
 Zion, let me enter there,  
Where my soul in joyful duty  
 Waits for Him who answers prayer.  
Oh, how blessèd is this place,  
Filled with solace, light, and grace!

2 Gracious God, I come before Thee;  
 Come Thou also unto me.  
Where we find Thee and adore Thee,  
 There a heav’n on earth must be.  
To my heart, O enter Thou;  
Let it be Thy temple now!

3 Here Thy praise is gladly chanted;  
 Here Thy seed is duly sown.  
Let my soul, where it is planted,  
 Bring forth precious sheaves alone,  
So that all I hear may be  
Fruitful unto life in me.

4 Thou my faith increase and quicken;  
 Let me keep Thy gift divine,  
Howsoe’er temptations thicken;  
 May Thy Word still o’er me shine  
As my guiding star through life,  
As my comfort in all strife.

5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee;  
 Let Thy will be done indeed.  
May I undisturbed draw near Thee  
 While Thou dost Thy people feed.  
Here of life the fountain flows;  
Here is balm for all our woes.

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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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Exhortation *LSB 184*

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins *LSB 184*

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Absolution *LSB 185*

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Introit *Psalm 86:11–15; antiphon: v. 6*

Give ear, O Lord, | to my prayer;\*  
 listen to my | plea for grace.  
**Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk | in your truth;\*  
 unite my heart to | fear your name.**I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with | my whole heart,\*  
 and I will glorify your name for- | ever.  
**For great is your steadfast | love toward me;\*  
 you have delivered my soul from the depths | of Sheol.**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.  
**But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and | gracious,\*  
 slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and | faithfulness.  
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.**Give ear, O Lord, | to my prayer;\*  
 listen to my | plea for grace.

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, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; 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*

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.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *Romans 8:18–27*

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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia *LSB 190*

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel *Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43*

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

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

Apostles’ Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,**

**maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy Christian Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life** T **everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

585 Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide

1 Lord Jesus Christ, with us abide,  
For round us falls the eventide.  
O let Your Word, that saving light,  
Shine forth undimmed into the night.

2 In these last days of great distress  
Grant us, dear Lord, true steadfastness  
That we keep pure till life is spent  
Your holy Word and Sacrament.

3 To hope grown dim, to hearts turned cold  
Speak tongues of fire and make us bold  
To shine Your Word of saving grace  
Into each dark and loveless place.

4 May glorious truths that we have heard,  
The bright sword of Your mighty Word,  
Spurn Satan that Your Church be strong,  
Bold, unified in act and song.

5 Restrain, O Lord, the human pride  
That seeks to thrust Your truth aside  
Or with some man-made thoughts or things  
Would dim the words Your Spirit sings.

6 Stay with us, Lord, and keep us true;  
Preserve our faith our whole life through—  
Your Word alone our heart’s defense,  
The Church’s glorious confidence.

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

*Brief silence*

Almighty God, we are too quick to judge Your ways and too bold to presume upon Your wisdom. Grant us grace so that we may trust in Your Word and fulfill our baptismal vocation of worship, witness, prayer and works of mercy, both to our families and to our neighbors in need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Blessed Lord, we are stewards of Your creation, but we have often squandered its goodness and wasted its resources. Guide us to use wisely and for the benefit of all people the fruits of this good earth, and preserve its goodness for those to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful God, we have been given new birth in Baptism. Help us to confess Your Son before the world, reflecting the glory of Your kingdom to all people. Bless all pastors, missionaries and church workers, that they may be faithful in their callings, especially missionaries Jennifer Preus (7/22), Jeancarlos Ramirez (7/22), Cheryl Magness (7/23), Stephanie Wilde (7/23), and Mindy Thews (7/24), military chaplains James Hopkins and David Otten, and Pastor Deiner, serving Grace in Holt’s Summit. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious Lord, we enjoy great freedom and blessing in our land. Bless Donald, our president; the Congress of these United States; Mike, our governor; and all those who make, judge and administer laws in our land. Give them wisdom in their actions for the protection of life and livelihood. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Loving God, we give You thanks for the gift of health, which we must never take for granted. Hear our prayers on behalf of the sick, the aged, the infirm, those who mourn and those near death. Grant them healing in accord with Your will and grace to sustain them in their need. Hear us especially for *Melanie (nee Jungmeyer), Larry Denny, Bradley Scheperle*, Katie Corrigan, and Leigh Fenton. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Holy Lord, we too easily forget those in nursing homes, assisted living and the homebound. Give us grace so that we may share with them Your consolation and peace, and give them the aid and comfort of Your Word and our fellowship in Christ. Bless Chaplains Sippe and Mueller as they share Your Words of Law and Gospel at Lenoir Woods and Heisinger Bluffs. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord of the Harvest, we rely on You for all that we need to support this body and life. Continue to show us Your favor through seasonable weather suitable for agriculture and the care of Your children. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, we are wounded by the sufferings of this life, and we need Your grace to sustain us in hope and equip us with patience. Give to us all that we need to pass through the day of trouble and be found faithful when Christ comes in His glory at the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gentle Lord, we ask You to visit the homes of Your people, that they may be places of blessing and love, where faith is nurtured and we learn to live out our new lives in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives. Bless those who celebrate birthdays, including Sheila Hagen (7/19), Logan Meisel (7/19), Mary Messer (7/19), Brennen Stinson (7/20), Shawna Walker (7/21), Alaina Snyder (7/22), and James & Chera McCoy (7/15) and Donn & Sheryl Schmoeger (7/22) as they celebrate their anniversary. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, hear us on behalf of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Grant that what we pray for, we may work toward, under the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, that at the Day of Judgment we may be found worthy to join the saints and enter into Your gift of eternal light and life forevermore; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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.**

Proper Preface (Full)

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, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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 251*

L Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold 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.**

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

636 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

1 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness,  
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,  
 Come into the daylight’s splendor,  
 There with joy your praises render.  
Bless the One whose grace unbounded  
This amazing banquet founded;  
 He, though heav’nly, high, and holy,  
 Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

2 Hasten as a bride to meet Him,  
And with loving rev’rence greet Him.  
 For with words of life immortal  
 He is knocking at your portal.  
Open wide the gates before Him,  
Saying, as you there adore Him:  
 Grant, Lord, that I now receive You,  
 That I nevermore will leave You.

3 He who craves a precious treasure  
Neither cost nor pain will measure;  
 But the priceless gifts of heaven  
 God to us has freely given.  
Though the wealth of earth were proffered,  
None could buy the gifts here offered:  
 Christ’s true body, for you riven,  
 And His blood, for you once given.

4 Now in faith I humbly ponder  
Over this surpassing wonder  
 That the bread of life is boundless  
 Though the souls it feeds are countless:  
With the choicest wine of heaven  
Christ’s own blood to us is given.  
 Oh, most glorious consolation,  
 Pledge and seal of my salvation!

5 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,  
Truest friend, and dearest treasure,  
 Peace beyond all understanding,  
 Joy into all life expanding:  
Humbly now, I bow before You;  
Love incarnate, I adore You;  
 Worthily let me receive You  
 And, so favored, never leave You.

6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,  
Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,  
 Jesus, joy of my desiring,  
 Fount of life, my soul inspiring:  
At Your feet I cry, my maker,  
Let me be a fit partaker  
 Of this blessèd food from heaven,  
 For our good, Your glory, given.

7 Lord, by love and mercy driven,  
You once left Your throne in heaven  
 On the cross for me to languish  
 And to die in bitter anguish,  
To forego all joy and gladness  
And to shed Your blood in sadness.  
 By this blood redeemed and living,  
 Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,  
Let me gladly here obey You.  
 By Your love I am invited,  
 Be Your love with love requited;  
By this Supper let me measure,  
Lord, how vast and deep love’s treasure.  
 Through the gift of grace You give me  
 As Your guest in heav’n receive me.

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769 Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ

1 Eternal Spirit of the living Christ,  
 I know not how to ask or what to say;  
I only know my need, as deep as life,  
 And only You can teach me how to pray.

2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day;  
 Help me to see Your purpose and Your will—  
Where I have failed, what I have done amiss;  
 Held in forgiving love, let me be still.

3 Come with the strength I lack, bring vision clear  
 Of human need; O give me eyes to see  
Fulfillment of my life in love outpoured,  
 My life in You, O Christ; Your love in me.

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650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

1 Holy Spirit, ever dwelling  
 In the holiest realms of light;  
Holy Spirit, ever brooding  
 O’er a world of gloom and night;  
Holy Spirit, ever raising  
 Those of earth to thrones on high;  
Living, life-imparting Spirit,  
 You we praise and magnify.

2 Holy Spirit, ever living  
 As the Church’s very life;  
Holy Spirit, ever striving  
 Through us in a ceaseless strife;  
Holy Spirit, ever forming  
 In the Church the mind of Christ:  
You we praise with endless worship  
 For Your gifts and fruits unpriced.

3 Holy Spirit, ever working  
 Through the Church’s ministry;  
Quick’ning, strength’ning, and absolving,  
 Setting captive sinners free;  
Holy Spirit, ever binding  
 Age to age and soul to soul  
In communion never ending,  
 You we worship and extol.

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Stand

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal *LSB 199*

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.**

Post-Communion Collect

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.**

Salutation *LSB 201*

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.**

794 The Lord, My God, Be Praised

1 The Lord, my God, be praised,  
 My light, my life from heaven;  
My maker, who to me  
 Has soul and body given;  
My Father, who will shield  
 And keep me day by day  
And make each moment yield  
 New blessings on my way.

2 The Lord, my God, be praised,  
 My trust, my life from heaven,  
The Father’s own dear Son,  
 Whose life for me was given,  
Who for my sin atoned  
 With His most precious blood  
And gives to me by faith  
 The highest heav’nly good.

3 The Lord, my God, be praised,  
 My hope, my life from heaven,  
The Spirit, whom the Son  
 In love to me has given.  
His grace revives my heart  
 And gives my spirit pow’r,  
Help, comfort, and support  
 In sorrow’s gloomy hour.

D 4 The Lord, my God, be praised,  
 My God, the ever-living,  
To whom the heav’nly host  
 Their laud and praise are giving.  
The Lord, my God, be praised,  
 In whose great name I boast,  
God Father, God the Son,  
 And God the Holy Ghost.

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