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May 23, 2021  The Feast of Pentecost

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

Today the paraments are red as we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. Fifty days after Jesus' Resurrection, the Holy Spirit appeared to and through the disciples as they proclaimed the Good News. The Holy Spirit converted the hearts of many to receive the Truth and be baptized in Jesus' Name. Today we also celebrate three young Christians who have been baptized and profess their faith in the One True God.

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**).

Last Sunday, May 16, 2021:

Attendance: 85 / 1 (livestream connections)
Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF: 17 / 18 / 4
Offerings: \$3459 / \$121 / \$140 (electronic)

Happening at St. John's:

Vacation Bible School is this week! May 24-26 from 5:30-8:00, we will introduce children age 3 through 4th grade to the River of Life! Younger children are welcome with a parent's assistance. There will also be a class for adults. Older children are encouraged to help. Talk to Sara Kautsch for more information.

Confirming their faith today are Paige Reed, Brayden Paull, and Trent Wade. We welcome them as communicant members of the congregation and encourage them to continue to celebrate with us the Lord's many gifts and blessings!

Next week, we rejoice as Larry Brown confirms his faith and becomes a member of St. John's. We also rejoice as Ruth Temme prepares to teach in a new place, even though that means leaving us. We will have a time for fellowship following the service.

Missouri's Largest Diaper Shower, sponsored by Lutherans for Life: From Mothers' Day until Fathers' Day, bring in diapers to donate to the local pregnancy center. LFL will keep track of how many are donated across the state, and they will give an extra donation to pregnancy centers for every congregation which participates! Twice the gift! Diapers and wipes are welcome. Simply bring them in and place them in the Pak-n-Play in the narthex.

"[W]e demand an end to the injustice of abortion. We demand an end to the injustice of human trafficking, pornography, slavery, and the separation of children from their parents. But we do so as confessors. We confess that we are sinners, great sinners, with the culture of death flowing in our veins and pulsing through our corrupted brains. And we confess that only in Jesus is the life we need." *Rev. Christopher Esget, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Alexandria, Virginia – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

This week:

Sunday, 5/23	9am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF
	10am	Divine Service - Confirmation
Monday 5:30-8		Vacation Bible School
Tuesday 5:30-8		Vacation Bible School
Wednesday	5:30-8	Vacation Bible School
Sunday, 5/30	9am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF
	10am	Divine Service – Confirmation of Larry Brown
	11:30	Fellowship

CALVARY INSIDER – Here's What Is Going On!

- Congratulations to Junior Jonathan Lieb for being honored as an All-State Medalist finishing tied for 10th place at the Class 1 state golf championship in Nixa.
- The Calvary Track & Field teams competed well at Sectionals with 13 athletes moving on to State! Congrats to Madelyn Goodson, Maddie Homfeldt, Baileigh Morris, Sydney Morris, Isaiah Barg, Cole Going, Grant Going, Kyle Hagemeyer, Jaxson Jobe, Matthew Johnson, Gage Pavely, Sam Schnitzler, and Josh Thieme all competing this weekend at Atkins Stadium in Jefferson City.
- The Class of 2021 wrapped up their last day of high school with finals on Monday and Tuesday.
- On Thursday evening, underclassmen were celebrated at the Awards Recognition Night.
- Student Government held elections for next year and elected Lars Marion as Student Body President, Alex Roettgen as Vice-President and Elizabeth Lieb as Secretary.
- Calvary Baseball competed in Districts this week.
- Underclassmen wrapped up their final week of classes preparing for finals next Monday and Tuesday.
- Calvary family & alumni had fun participating in the Alumni Basketball Tournament on Saturday.

GRADUATION SERVICE FOR THE CLASS OF 2021 – Calvary's thirteenth commencement service will be held on May 29th, 10:00 a.m., at Calvary Lutheran High School. At this time, space is reserved only for guests of graduates. The graduation worship service can be viewed online at twitch.tv/calvarylhs. Contact the school office if you have questions.

LAST CALL: CALVARY BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT – Register your team today for Friday, June 4 at Tanglewood! Flights begin at 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Enjoy a great day of fun in support of Calvary students.

YOUTH SUMMER CAMP – Calvary will be hosting full day youth summer camp Monday, June 21 through Friday, June 25 for students entering grades 5-8 next Fall. The focus for the day will include spiritual, academic and athletic activities. To register, please contact Calvary at (573) 638-0228. The final registration deadline is June 1.

POSITION AVAILABLE – Calvary Lutheran High School is seeking a mission-minded individual for a full-time or part-time Science teacher (Biology, Chemistry, Anatomy & Physiology) this Fall. Interested applicants can contact or email resumes to Principal Erich Ahlers (principal@calvarylhs.org). Resumes will be accepted until the positions are filled. They may also be submitted to Calvary at 2525 Route B, Jefferson City, MO 65101.

Confession and Absolution

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

LSB 497

- 1 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord,
With all Your graces now outpoured
 On each believer's mind and heart;
 Your fervent love to them impart.
Lord, by the brightness of Your light
In holy faith Your Church unite;
 From ev'ry land and ev'ry tongue
 This to Your praise, O Lord, our God, be sung:
 Alleluia, alleluia!

- 2 Come, holy Light, guide divine,
Now cause the Word of life to shine.
 Teach us to know our God aright
 And call Him Father with delight.
From ev'ry error keep us free;
Let none but Christ our master be
 That we in living faith abide,
 In Him, our Lord, with all our might confide.
 Alleluia, alleluia!

- 3 Come, holy Fire, comfort true,
Grant us the will Your work to do
 And in Your service to abide;
 Let trials turn us not aside.
Lord, by Your pow'r prepare each heart,
And to our weakness strength impart
 That bravely here we may contend,
 Through life and death to You, our Lord, ascend.
 Alleluia, alleluia!

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Stand

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

Invocation

- ¶ In the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Exhortation

LSB 151

- ¶ 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.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,*
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luya.

O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you | made them all;*
the earth is full of your | creatures.

These all | look to you,*
to give them their food in due | season.

When you give it to them, they gath- | er it up;*
when you open your hand, they are filled with | good things.

When you send forth your Spirit, they are cre- | ated,*
and you renew the face | of the ground.

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.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,*
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luya.

Kyrie

LSB 152

- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

- C** Lord, have mercy.
- 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 mercy.
- A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C** Amen.

This Is the Feast

LSB 155

- C** This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; 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

Ezekiel 37:1–14

¹The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And he said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” ⁴Then he said to me, “Prophesy over

these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD.”

⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” ¹⁰So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’ ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Acts 2:1–21

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷“And in the last days it shall be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,

and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams;
¹⁸even on my male servants and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;
²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.
²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord
shall be saved.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

- C** Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

John 15:26–27; 16:4b–15

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁶[Jesus said:] “When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me.
²⁷And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

...
“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid

LSB 500

- 1 Creator Spirit, by whose aid
The world's foundations first were laid,
Come, visit ev'ry humble mind;
Come, pour Your joys on humankind;
From sin and sorrow set us free;
May we Your living temples be.

- 2 O Source of uncreated light,
The bearer of God's gracious might,
Thrice-holy fount, thrice-holy fire,
Our hearts with heav'nly love inspire;
Your sacred, healing message bring
To sanctify us as we sing.

- 3 Giver of grace, descend from high;
Your sev'nfold gifts to us supply;
Help us eternal truths receive
And practice all that we believe;
Give us Yourself that we may see
The glory of the Trinity.

- △ 4 Immortal honor, endless fame
Attend the almighty Father's name;
The Savior-Son be glorified,
Who for all humankind has died;
To You, O Paraclete, we raise
Unending songs of thanks and praise.

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Sermon

Confirmation

The pastor addresses the catechumens.

- P** Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 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, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I

am with you always, even to the end of the age." You have been baptized and catechized in the Christian faith according to our Lord's bidding. Jesus said, "Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven." Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.

P Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

R Yes, I do.

P 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?

C Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?

C Yes, I 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.

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C Yes, 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.

P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God?

R I do.

P Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from the Scriptures, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

R I do.

P Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

R I do, by the grace of God.

- P** Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?
- R** *I do, by the grace of God.*
- P** Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?
- R** *I do, by the grace of God.*
- P** We rejoice with thankful hearts that you have been baptized and have received the teaching of the Lord. You have confessed the faith and been absolved of your sins. As you continue to hear the Lord's Word and receive His blessed Sacrament, He who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.
- C** **Amen.**

The catechumens kneel to receive the confirmation blessing. The pastor places his hands on the head of each catechumen and makes the sign of the cross on the forehead while saying:

- P** *[Name],* 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 \ddagger everlasting.
- R** **Amen.**

The pastor may read a text of Holy Scripture as a remembrance of confirmation. After all the catechumens have received the blessing, one or both of the following collects are prayed.

Stand

- P** Let us pray.
Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, they may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; 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** Almighty and most merciful Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism You have united Your children in the suffering and death of Your Son Jesus Christ, cleansing them by His blood. Renew in them the gift of Your Holy Spirit, that they may live in daily contrition and repentance with a faith that ever clings to their Savior. Deliver them from the power of Satan and preserve them from false and dangerous doctrines, that they may remain faithful in hearing Christ's Word and receiving His body and blood. By the Lord's Supper strengthen them to believe

that no one can make satisfaction for sin but Christ alone. Enable them to find joy and comfort only in Him, learning from this Sacrament to love You and their neighbor and to bear the cross with patience and joy until the day of the resurrection of their bodies to life immortal; 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 Peace [☩] be with you.

C Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For gladness in the Holy Spirit, who fills the world with the remembrance of everything Christ Jesus has spoken, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P That the name of Jesus would be glorified among us in word and deed, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the Holy Church established on the proclamation of Christ, that His Spirit would sustain the apostolic preaching to the ends of the earth, and that in every tongue the mighty works of God would be heard, especially for Pastor Williams and the saints at Hope in Osage Beach, for missionaries Johanna Heidorn (5/23) and Jacob William Gaugert (5/25), and for military chaplains Matthew Franke and Michael Beyer, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For hope in the midst of this world of death and despair; that God would put His Spirit within us to believe, to live and to serve according to His promises and commands; and that He would lead our homes to confess confidence in His power to raise the dead — now and at the Last Day, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P To beat back Satan's lies and deadly work, that we would know and believe that this world's ruler is judged; for good government and leaders who are both honest and faithful; and for faith that looks eagerly for Christ's quick return, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the help and salvation of all [*especially Katie Corrigan, Jen Schmitt, Leigh Fenton, Lois Belshe, Carolyn Walker, Joy Heidbreder, Lauren Laird, Pastor Andry, and all who suffer in body, mind, and soul*]; that the Spirit would renew the face of the earth, look with favor on His creatures and fill the hearts of the faithful,

kindling in them the fire of His love, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the many gifts and blessings the Lord continually gives to us and especially for the gift of life as we celebrate the birthdays of Kristina Shelton (5/23), Marilyn Brandt (5/28), and Myra Hall (5/29), let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who commune, that God would send His Holy Spirit upon His faithful people to convict us of our sin and convince us also that Christ's righteousness is ours, that in such repentance and faith we would receive the things of Christ declared to us in His Supper: the holy body and precious blood for the forgiveness of our sins; and that He would unite us by the Spirit of truth in faith and confession, comforting us with the knowledge that this world's prince is judged, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Lord God, heavenly Father, through Your Son You promised Your Holy Spirit, who would convince the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. Enlighten our hearts so that we confess our sins, obtain everlasting righteousness through faith in Christ and, through every trial and temptation, abide in the consolation that Christ is Lord over the devil, death and all things, and that He will graciously deliver us from all affliction to make us partakers of eternal salvation; 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 **Amen.**

Offering

Offertory

LSB 159

C **What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?**

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 160

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, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. 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 161

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- 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.

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

LSB 163

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

Agnus Dei

LSB 163

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

Distribution

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

LSB 633

- 1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide
Flowing from His piercèd side.
Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine
Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast—
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
Alleluia!
- 3 Where the paschal blood is poured,
Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go

Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Alleluia!

4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we manna from above.
Alleluia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce pow'r beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight,
You have brought us life and light.
Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise,
And Your saints in You shall rise.
Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
Newborn souls in You to be.
Alleluia!

△ 8 Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, Your name we praise.
Alleluia!

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Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

LSB 650

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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To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray

LSB 768

- 1 To God the Holy Spirit let us pray
For the true faith needed on our way
That He may defend us when life is ending
And from exile home we are wending.
Lord, have mercy!
- 2 O sweetest Love, Your grace on us bestow;
Set our hearts with sacred fire aglow
That with hearts united we love each other,
Ev'ry stranger, sister, and brother.
Lord, have mercy!
- 3 Transcendent Comfort in our ev'ry need,
Help us neither scorn nor death to heed
That we may not falter nor courage fail us
When the foe shall taunt and assail us.
Lord, have mercy!
- 4 Shine in our hearts, O Spirit, precious light;
Teach us Jesus Christ to know aright
That we may abide in the Lord who bought us,
Till to our true home He has brought us.
Lord, have mercy!

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In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal

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

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 165

C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of
ev'ry people:
A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.
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.

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.

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.

C Amen.

O Day Full of Grace

LSB 503

- 1 O day full of grace that now we see
 Appearing on earth's horizon,
Bring light from our God that we may be
 Replete in His joy this season.
God, shine for us now in this dark place;
 Your name on our hearts emblazon.
- 2 O day full of grace, O blessèd time,
 Our Lord on the earth arriving;
Then came to the world that light sublime,
 Great joy for us all retrieving;
For Jesus all mortals did embrace,
 All darkness and shame removing.
- 3 For Christ bore our sins, and not His own,
 When He on the cross was hanging;
And then He arose and moved the stone
 That we, unto Him belonging,
Might join with angelic hosts to raise
 Our voices in endless singing.

- 4 God came to us then at Pentecost,
 His Spirit new life revealing,
That we might no more from Him be lost,
 All darkness for us dispelling.
His flame will the mark of sin efface
 And bring to us all His healing.
- 5 When we on that final journey go
 That Christ is for us preparing,
We'll gather in song, our hearts aglow,
 All joy of the heavens sharing,
And walk in the light of God's own place,
 With angels His name adoring.

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