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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 focus on our Life in Christ. During this half of the year, the readings look more at Jesus' teaching for us than at the major events in His life and death for us.

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, August 1, 2021:

Attendance: 76 / 7 (livestream connections)

Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF: 15 / 21 / 3

Offerings: \$1974 / \$11.75 / \$140 (electronic)

Happening at St. John's:

Since the visit to the Sight And Sound presentation of Noah last fall was cancelled due to Covid-19, we are planning a visit to this year's presentation of Jesus on November 6. If you paid to go last year but do not plan to go this year, please write "no" on the list on the table in the narthex. If you would like to go this year but did not pay last year, please add your name to the list. For any questions, please see Cathy Wade.

Fellowship Sundays return! Unless the current spread of Covid-19 variants prevents it, we will resume Fellowship Sundays on the second Sunday of the month beginning in August. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex if you would like to host.

Directory Pictures will hopefully take place today. Sara Kautsch and Pastor are trying their hands at doing the pictures "in-house". We need a few victims to help us work out the kinks.

This week:

Sunday, 8/8	9am 10am 11:30am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF Divine Service Directory Pictures
Tuesday, 8/10	7pm	Elders' meeting
Sunday, 8/15	9am 10am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF Divine Service

CALVARY INSIDER – Here's What Is Going On!

CALVARY INSIDER – What has been happening the past few weeks....

- Our faculty is back on-campus and has been hard at work preparing their classrooms for students to return in a few short weeks! Faculty meetings have started and everyone is excited for the new year!
- Fall sports practices for cross country, baseball, softball, soccer and volleyball begin Monday! Be watching for upcoming dates to come out and cheer on your Lions!
- A big shout-out to Dr. Gregg Kulhmann for offering sports physicals to our students and sister school students. He is such a blessing to our Lutheran school community!
- Fall Sports schedules have been published on our website!
- Calvary's office staff is happy to assist throughout the school year from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- The first day of school will be before you know it..... August 18!

SAVE LIVES... GIVE BLOOD – Join us Tuesday, August 10 from 12:00 – 6:00 p.m. for the first blood drive of the school year sponsored by Key Club. We have a target goal of 60 donors, we could use your help to pass along the work to others. Appointments can be made online at redcross.org/give or call Calvary 573-638-0228.

CALVARY HOSTS EDUCATORS CONFERENCE – Calvary will host nearly 80 educators at the 8th Annual Lutheran Educators Conference on August 11th. If you would like to support this event, we could utilize volunteers or funds to offset costs for the day.

KICKING OFF OUR 17th ACADEMIC YEAR – We will officially begin our 17th academic year with opening worship led by Mr. Christman and Pastor Diener on Wednesday, August 18th, during all-school chapel. Worship with us by joining us at 10:30 AM on our Facebook page or at www.twitch.tv/calvarylhs!

CHECK OUT THE CALVARY WISH LIST! – A practical and simple way you can make an impact on our school by helping us prepare for the upcoming academic year is by donating items on our "WISH LIST!" See it at: calvarylhs.org/support

NEVER TOO EARLY TO PLAN FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Missouri allows private K-12 tuition to be paid from a 529 fund. This is a great opportunity for families (or friends of a family) to contribute specifically to a student's education through state-tax deductible contributions. Qualified withdrawals for tuition expenses can happen now or well into the future. Call John Christman 573-638-0228 or your financial advisor to learn more.

UPCOMING CALVARY EVENTS –

- Aug 9 First Day of Fall Sports Practices
- Aug 10 Blood Drive, 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- Aug 12 Back to School Night, 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM
- Aug 18 First Day of School!

Confession and Absolution

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

LSB 610

- 1 Lord Jesus, think on me
And purge away my sin;
From worldly passions set me free
And make me pure within.
- 2 Lord Jesus, think on me,
By anxious thoughts oppressed;
Let me Your loving servant be
And taste Your promised rest.
- 3 Lord Jesus, think on me
Amid the battle's strife;
In all my pain and misery,
O be my health and life!
- 4 Lord Jesus, think on me
Nor let me go astray;
Through darkness and perplexity
Point out Your chosen way.
- 5 Lord Jesus, think on me
That, when this life is past,
I may the eternal brightness see
And share Your joy at last.

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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 ✠ 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 ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 34:8–10; antiphon: Psalm 145:16

You open | your hand;*
you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.
Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!*
Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!
Oh, fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
for those who fear him | have no lack!
The young lions suffer want and | hunger;*
but those who seek the LORD lack | no good thing.
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.
You open | your hand;*
you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

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.

Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 19:1–8

¹Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." ⁶And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." ⁸And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Ephesians 4:17—5:2

¹⁷This I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰But that is not the way you learned Christ! — ²¹assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²²to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³²Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

John 6:35–51

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

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

³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father

and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'

⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day.

⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

LSB 534

- 1 Lord, enthroned in heav'nly splendor,
First-begotten from the dead,
You alone, our strong defender,
Lifting up Your people's head.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus, true and living bread!
Jesus, true and living bread!

- 2 Though the lowliest form now veil You
As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there Your angels hail You,
Branch and flow'r of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
We in worship join with them;
We in worship join with them.

- 3 Paschal Lamb, Your off'ring, finished
Once for all when You were slain,
In its fullness undiminished
Shall forevermore remain,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Cleansing souls from ev'ry stain;
Cleansing souls from ev'ry stain.

- 4 Life-imparting heav'nly manna,
Stricken rock with streaming side,
Heav'n and earth with loud hosanna
Worship You, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Ris'n, ascended, glorified!
Ris'n, ascended, glorified!

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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.

Presentation of Offering

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the pure proclamation of the Gospel throughout all the world, especially for Pastor Herman and those who assist him, missionaries Joyce Erber, Linda Just, Cynthia Schumacher, Tirzah Krey, and Rachel Jaseph, and military chaplains Jeremy Gorline, Scott Gustafson, Michael Moreno, and Louis Ferguson, Jr, that false teaching and Satan's lies would be thwarted and that many would be drawn to the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For our congregation and all congregations in our circuit, district and Synod, that they may flourish and thrive, be strong witnesses to their confession of faith, show mercy on account of God, and live together in unity of doctrine and love for the neighbor, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For pastors, especially those suffering from conflict, burnout or depression, that our Lord would give them strength and courage through the example of Elijah and all who have gone before them, bringing them comfort through the forgiveness of sins and the promise of everlasting life, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all families and homes, that one generation may tell to the next the wonderful works of God in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all the members of this congregation, that they would serve one another in love and encourage one another to receive the gifts Christ gives, especially for those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries, including Joy Heidbreder (8/9), Taylor Young (8/10), Grace Young (8/10), Nicole Brewer (8/11), Angela Crabtree (8/13), and Matt & Sarah Wilkerson (8/14), let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the nation, that all may live in harmony, neither suffering from want nor fearing from danger, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the sick, [including Katie Corriqan, Leigh Fenton, Lois Belshe, Carolyn Walker, Cindy Eggen, and Esther Heidbreder], that they would never doubt that God hears their prayers; and for all others who suffer from any kind of hardship, that the Lord would relieve their pain and provide for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who mourn, that they would be comforted by Jesus' words that He is the bread of life and anyone who eats of this bread will live forever, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who receive Christ's body and blood this day, that reconciled to each other they may rejoice to receive the Lord's forgiveness through this precious gift, be strengthened in times of doubt, and be nourished in body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Father of our risen, ascended and glorified Lord, who has promised that those who believe in Christ as the true and living bread will never hunger nor thirst: By Your Holy Spirit, keep us steadfast in faith. Give us grace to live out our baptismal lives in repentance and forgiveness, and keep our eyes ever focused on the life that never ends, knowing that You will raise us up on the Last Day; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Sacrament

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

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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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 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

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 † 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 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

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, You have prepared
 This feast for our salvation;
It is Your body and Your blood,
 And at Your invitation
As weary souls, with sin oppressed,
We come to You for needed rest,
 For comfort, and for pardon.

- 2 Although You did to heav'n ascend,
 Where angel hosts are dwelling,
And in Your presence they behold
 Your glory, all excelling,
And though Your people shall not see
Your glory and Your majesty
 Till dawns the judgment morning,

- 3 Yet, Savior, You are not confined
 To any habitation;
But You are present even now
 Here with Your congregation.
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand,
Unmoved by any daring hand
 Or subtle craft and cunning.

- 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup,
 Your precious Word believing
That Your true body and Your blood
 Our lips are here receiving.
This Word remains forever true;
All things are possible with You,
 For You are Lord Almighty.

- 5 Though reason cannot understand,
 Yet faith this truth embraces:
Your body, Lord, is even now
 At once in many places.
I leave to You how this can be;
Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unfailing.

- 6 Lord, I believe what You have said;
 Help me when doubts assail me.
Remember that I am but dust,
 And let my faith not fail me.
Your supper in this vale of tears
Refreshes me and stills my fears
 And is my priceless treasure.

- 7 Grant that we worthily receive
Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving for our sins,
May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for Your grace
And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.
- 8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
The world against it rages.
Grant that this sacrament may be
A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

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Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

LSB 680

- 1 Thine the amen Thine the praise
Alleluias angels raise
Thine the everlasting head
Thine the breaking of the bread
Thine the glory Thine the story
Thine the harvest then the cup
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.
- 2 Thine the life eternally
Thine the promise let there be
Thine the vision Thine the tree
All the earth on bended knee
Gone the nailing gone the railing
Gone the pleading gone the cry
Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.
- 3 Thine the truly Thine the yes
Thine the table we the guest
Thine the mercy all from Thee
Thine the glory yet to be
Then the ringing and the singing
Then the end of all the war
Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.

- 4 Thine the kingdom Thine the prize
Thine the wonder full surprise
Thine the banquet then the praise
Then the justice of Thy ways
Thine the glory Thine the story
Then the welcome to the least
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
- 5 Thine the glory in the night
No more dying only light
Thine the river Thine the tree
Then the Lamb eternally
Then the holy holy holy
Celebration jubilee
Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

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Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

LSB 685

- 1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where You guide.
- 2 Let us suffer here with Jesus
And with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness;
Where He is, there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter,
We shall reap celestial joy;
All discomforts that annoy
Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share Your woe;
Help me there Your joy to know.

3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death He conquered death,
He will free us from destruction,
Give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion
That would lead us into sin;
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here with You I die,
There to live with You on high.

4 Let us also live with Jesus.
He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken.
Jesus, You are now our head.
We are Your own living members;
Where You live, there we shall be
In Your presence constantly,
Living there with You forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be,
Life eternal grant to me.

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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 ☩ 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.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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 † give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

LSB 922

1 Go, My children, with My blessing,
Never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you;

You are My own.

In My love's baptismal river

I have made you Mine forever.

Go, My children, with My blessing—

You are My own.

2 Go, My children, sins forgiven,

At peace and pure.

Here you learned how much I love you,

What I can cure.

Here you heard My dear Son's story;

Here you touched Him, saw His glory.

Go, My children, sins forgiven,

At peace and pure.

3 Go, My children, fed and nourished,
Closer to Me;
Grow in love and love by serving,
Joyful and free.
Here My Spirit's power filled you;
Here His tender comfort stilled you.
Go, My children, fed and nourished,
Joyful and free.

4 I the Lord will bless and keep you
And give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you
And give you peace:
I the Lord will be your Father,
Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, My children; I will keep you
And give you peace.

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