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June 19, 2022 🕆 Second Sunday after Pentecost

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

Now that we are officially in the season of Pentecost, the paraments are green. Since Advent, we have been in the festival half of the church year. Now, we begin the "time of the church". With a couple of exceptions, the paraments will continue to be green as we focus on life and growth in Christ.

**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, June 12, 2022:

Attendance: 96 / 7 (livestream connections) Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF: 16 / 17 / 4 Offerings: \$2494 / \$61.25 / \$411 (electronic)

# Calvary Lutheran High School News and Information

**SUMMER HOURS** – The week of July 11-15, the gymnasium floor will be refinished. Calvary will not have office hours and access to the school will be very limited during that week. Otherwise, for the months of June and July, the Calvary school office will be open regularly Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday, 9 a.m to 1 p.m.

**POSITION AVAILABLE** – Calvary is seeking a mission-minded, enthusiastic individual with a passion for promoting Calvary to the greater Mid-Missouri region. This is a part-time administrative assistant position, 15-hrs per week (3 hrs/day, M-F) with an emphasis on school communications & public relations: newsletters, social media & slide shows. Resumes are to be submitted to Calvary, 2525 Rte B, Jefferson City, MO 65101 by June 27.

**LEND A HAND** – There is much to do around the school this summer as we are already preparing for the 2022-2023 school year. If you would like to help out with items on our "to-do list," contact John Christman (573-638-0228 or administrator@calvarylhs.org).

**WISHLIST UPDATED** – Check out the updated wish list on our website calvarylhs.org/wishlist if there are specific areas you would like to bless Calvary this summer!

**RETREAT DONATIONS** – Calvary's Summer Retreat is held at Heit's Point Lutheran Camp in July and is a favorite for our students and staff. This event would not be possible without the generosity of MANY! One way to help is by donating necessary food items used to prepare meals. If you are interested in what items are needed, please contact Sam Ziegelbein at 573-638-0228 or <u>ziegelbeins@calvarylhs.org</u>.

**THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS** – Are you a Thrivent member and have Thrivent Action Team grants available? If you would like to help with projects at Calvary, we have a number of special summer projects that could be blessed by an action team grant! Contact John Christman to find out more.

# Happening at St. John's:

**Ice cream, ice cream, who doesn't like ice cream?** The annual Ice Cream Social is today! We are serving from 3:30 until 7.

**Did you know that you can give to the church electronically**, whether a single transaction or recurring giving. There is a smartphone app (Vanco giving), or you can click the link on the front page of the church website. All electronic giving goes in a report to the financial secretary and is added on your year-end statement. Talk to Pastor Whittle for more information.

"**The God who chose to give us life** at the moment of fertilization is the same God who chose to rescue us and redeem us and give us salvation. And He did it by sending His Son, Jesus, to experience every stage of human life so we could be forgiven and given life everlasting with Him!" *Rev. Craig Michaelson, Faith Community Lutheran Church, Las Vegas, Nevada – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org* 

**CHRIST-CENTERED, CROSS-FOCUSED**...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's subjects include: The Movie "Jurassic World: Dominion," The Sanctus, The Hero's Journey & Jesus, Black Liberation Through the Marketplace, The Return of Christ and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

This week:		
Sunday, 6/19		Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF Divine Service Ice Cream Social
Sunday, 6/26	9am 10am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF Divine Service Sunday School Summer Scavenger Hunt

# **Confession and Absolution**

#### 825 Rise, Shine, You People

- Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered Our human story; God in Him is centered. He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, With grace unbounded.
- See how He sends the pow'rs of evil reeling; He brings us freedom, light and life and healing. All men and women, who by guilt are driven, Now are forgiven.
- Come, celebrate, your banners high unfurling,
   Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
   To all the world go out and tell the story
   Of Jesus' glory.
- Tell how the Father sent His Son to save us.
   Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
   Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
   His new creation.

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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

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### Kneel/Stand

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.

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

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.

Stand

# Service of the Word

# Introit

Psalm 71:20-24; antiphon: v. 3

LSB 151

Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may contin- | ually come;\*

you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my | fortress. You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive | me again;\*

from the depths of the earth you will bring me | up again.

You will increase my | greatness\*

and comfort | me again.

I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, | O my God;\*

I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of | Israel.

My lips will shout for joy, when I sing prais- | es to you;\*

my soul also, which you | have redeemed.

And my tongue will talk of your righteous help all | the day long,\*

for they have been put to shame and disappointed who sought to | do me hurt.

## 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.

Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may contin- | ually come;\*

you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my | fortress.

# Kyrie

- 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.

#### **Gloria in Excelsis**

- LSB 154
- A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.
- Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; 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 65:1–9

<sup>1</sup>I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me; I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me.
I said, "Here am I, here am I," to a nation that was not called by my name.
<sup>2</sup>I spread out my hands all the day to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices;
<sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and making offerings on bricks; <sup>4</sup>who sit in tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat pig's flesh. and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels; <sup>5</sup>who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all the day. <sup>6</sup>Behold. it is written before me: "I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their bosom <sup>7</sup>both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they made offerings on the mountains and insulted me on the hills, I will measure into their bosom payment for their former deeds." <sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD: "As the new wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,' so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. <sup>9</sup>I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, and from Judah possessors of my mountains; my chosen shall possess it, and my servants shall dwell there."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

#### Epistle

#### Galatians 3:23-4:7

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. <sup>27</sup>For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

<sup>1</sup>I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, <sup>2</sup>but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. <sup>3</sup>In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. <sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were

under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

#### Alleluia and Verse

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

#### **Holy Gospel**

Luke 8:26–39

■ The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>26</sup>Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." <sup>29</sup>For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. <sup>32</sup>Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

<sup>34</sup>When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.



#### 601 All Who Believe and Are Baptized

- All who believe and are baptized Shall see the Lord's salvation; Baptized into the death of Christ, They are a new creation.
   Through Christ's redemption they shall stand Among the glorious, heav'nly band Of ev'ry tribe and nation.
- With one accord, O God, we pray: Grant us Your Holy Spirit.
   Help us in our infirmity Through Jesus' blood and merit.
   Grant us to grow in grace each day That by this sacrament we may Eternal life inherit.
   Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. George A. T. Rygh, 1860–1942, alt.

Sermon

#### Stand

#### **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.

#### Sit

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.

# **Prayer of the Church**

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

O King of kings and Lord of lords, You call out to every nation of the earth seeking repentance and justice, even as they rebel against Your will. Work repentance in all civil leaders. Use them to defend the weak and to punish the guilty, that the Church may have free course to preach the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C hear our prayer.
- Gracious God, Your Son sent the man formerly possessed by demons to declare how much God had done for him. May Your Church also, rescued from the snares of the devil, proclaim how much Jesus has done for us. Equip pastors and all Christians to tell of Your mercy, especially Pastor Herman, missionaries Charles Ferry, Cheryl Naumann, and Andrew Schaff, and military chaplains James Daub, Timothy Rosenthal, and Sean Ballard. Lord, in Your mercy,

## C hear our prayer.

- Compassionate Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Almighty God, You have established governments and institutions for good order and our well-being. Guide and grant wisdom to leaders and citizens. Give peace, security and good laws to our own country, our cities and our communities. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Lord of the nations, grant Your peace to those enmeshed in political struggle. Remind those in and around Ukraine of Your mercy, and strengthen the churches

there to speak the truth of Your Word. Strengthen Chandler and all who serve the goal of peace to serve with courage, honor, and integrity, and keep them safe as they protect others. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

Father of all whom You have called, continue to shower your blessings and your protection on Your children. In particular, we pray for those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries, including Andrew Kautsch (6/19), Mike Hagen (6/23), Christen Henderson (6/23), H.F. & Doris Seidel (6/20), and William & Cindy Kautsch (6/22). Lord, in Your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, Your Son, Jesus, had pity on the man afflicted with an abundance of demons. Have mercy now on the afflictions that beset [Lois Belshe, Paula Scheperle, Randy Artale, Jason Walker, Bobby Hartman, Bob Johnson, Theresa Schubert\_\_\_\_\_and] all for whom we pray. Give them healing, strength and an increase of faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

- Merciful God, Isaiah spoke of the new wine, full of blessing, that will not be destroyed. Grant us faithfully to eat and drink our Lord's own body and blood given in the fellowship of this altar. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Dear Father, You know the condition of our souls, that we frequently wander into sins, vice and danger. Hear our prayers for the sake of Christ, who defeated legions of demons so that we might receive adoption as sons; 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.

## **Presentation of Offering**

## Offertory

LSB 159

 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

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

## • We lift them to the Lord.

- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

# Proper Preface (Full)

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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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

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 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

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

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

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## Pax Domini

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

# Agnus Dei

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

# 619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

- Thy body, giv'n for me, O Savior, Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed, These are my life and strength forever, By them my hungry soul is fed. Refrain
- ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!
- 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now united; I live in Thee and Thou in me.

No sorrow fills my soul, delighted It finds its only joy in Thee. Refrain

- Who can condemn me now? For surely The Lord is nigh, who justifies.
   No hell I fear, and thus securely With Jesus I to heaven rise. Refrain
- Though death may threaten with disaster, It cannot rob me of my cheer;
   For He who is of death the master
   With aid and comfort e'er is near. Refrain
- 5 My heart has now become Thy dwelling, O blessèd, holy Trinity.
   With angels I, Thy praises telling, Shall live in joy eternally. Refrain
   Text: Friedrich Christian Heyder, 1677–1754; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, abr.
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## 541 "Away from Us!" the Demon Cried

- "Away from us!" the demon cried When Christ, the Lord, drew near.
   "Our dark, disordered world is lost When You, the Light, appear!"
- But Jesus spoke with God's own pow'r; "Come forth!" was His command;
   For evil cannot bear the Light Nor sin the Truth withstand.
- O risen Christ, God's living Word, To us, we pray, draw near.
   Come, speak the truth that cleanses sin With love that conquers fear.
- Drive out the doubt that cripples faith; Expel our pride and greed
   That we, from pow'rs that threaten us, May, by Your grace, be freed.
- Then help us, Lord, to greet each day With hearts and wills made new And, when You call us forth to serve, To rise and follow You.
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## 643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

1 Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing. The people of God from His dwelling take leave. The Supper is ended. O now be extended The fruits of this service in all who believe. The seed of His teaching, Receptive souls reaching, Shall blossom in action for God and for all. His grace did invite us. His love shall unite us To work for God's kingdom and answer His call. 2 With praise and thanksgiving To God ever-living, The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face. Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring, Embracing His children of each tribe and race. With Your feast You feed us.

With Your light now lead us;

Unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living

With praise and thanksgiving

Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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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

#### Thank the Lord

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

## **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.

## 594 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

- God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!
   He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price.
   Do I need earth's treasures many?
   I have one worth more than any That brought me salvation free Lasting to eternity!
- Sin, disturb my soul no longer:

   I am baptized into Christ!
   I have comfort even stronger:
   Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.
   Should a guilty conscience seize me
   Since my Baptism did release me
   In a dear forgiving flood,
   Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?
- Satan, hear this proclamation:

   I am baptized into Christ!
   Drop your ugly accusation,
   I am not so soon enticed.

   Now that to the font I've traveled,
   All your might has come unraveled,
   And, against your tyranny,
   God, my Lord, unites with me!
- Death, you cannot end my gladness:

   I am baptized into Christ!
   When I die, I leave all sadness
   To inherit paradise!

   Though I lie in dust and ashes

   Faith's assurance brightly flashes: Baptism has the strength divine To make life immortal mine.

5 There is nothing worth comparing To this lifelong comfort sure!
Open-eyed my grave is staring: Even there I'll sleep secure.
Though my flesh awaits its raising,
Still my soul continues praising:
I am baptized into Christ;
I'm a child of paradise!
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