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August 9, 2026 ✠ The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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

Today the paraments are green, following Pentecost. During this part of the church year, we focus on Jesus' teaching more than the events of His life, as we learn to grow in the faith given to 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. Gluten-free wafers are available; speak with Pastor or an elder prior to worship. (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**).

Sunday, July 26, 2026:

Attendance: 74 (2 livestream)

Sunday School 11; Adult Bible Class 19; LYF 4

Offerings: \$2865; Loose \$162.50; Electronic \$185

Calvary Lutheran High School News and Information

CALVARY INSIDER - What went on at Calvary this week?

- The final Lemonade League of the 2026 Summer was held on Tuesday!
- Thursday evening was the Fall Activities meeting, where coaches, parents, and students meet to prepare for the upcoming season. We are just a few weeks away from cheering on our Baseball, Cross Country, Drama, Soccer, and Volleyball Lions!
- A BIG THANK YOU to everyone that helped with Moving & Cleaning Day on Saturday!

THIS SATURDAY: EXPANSION DEDICATION! The wait is almost over! As we prepare to open the doors to our brand-new Fine Arts, Agriculture, and Athletic spaces, we want to invite our entire Calvary family to gather in gratitude and praise. Join us in our dedication service on **Saturday, August 15 at 1 PM** with an opportunity to tour the new spaces to follow!

DONATING BLOOD SAVES LIVES – Join us Wednesday, August 12 from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. for the first blood drive of the school year! Appointments can be made online at redcross.org/give or call Calvary, (573) 638-0228.

SPIRIT WEAR - The Calvary Fall Activities wear order is here for pre-order! Cheer on your Baseball, Cross Country, Drama, Soccer and Volleyball Lions! Keep an eye out for the ****BIG**** Calvary wear order that include this year's screen print design along with embroidered polos, quarter zips, and more! Visit linktr.ee/calvarylhs to view the Fall Activities wear catalog TODAY! Check back in on Thursday for the ****BIG**** Calvary Wear order link.

JOIN THE CALVARY TEAM – Calvary is seeking mission-minded individuals to complete the team:

- Assistant Volleyball Coach
- Teacher for one period of Algebra I for the 2026-2027 school year

Applications can be submitted to John Christman at

administrator@calvarylhs.org or Kerri Morris at morrisk@calvarylhs.org

Save the Date

Aug. 12 Calvary Blood Drive, 1-6 PM
Aug. 13 View Calvary Wear Order Forms at linktr.ee/calvarylhs
Aug. 15 Expanding Excellence Dedication, 1 PM
Aug. 19 First Day of School

Happening at St. John's:

Can you operate a pair of scissors? Next Sunday, Pastor Whittle invites you to join us in the Parish Hall after the service to work on Baptism Banners. We will be cutting and drawing on felt to create a supply of blank banners to be used as we welcome new members through the rite of Holy Baptism.

Faith at Home Milestones is a series of meetings with families to encourage parents in sharing the faith with their children. Watch for more information regarding upcoming opportunities.

“Just as powerful, we can relate to stories because, whether we know it or not, we are part of the greatest story ever told. The one that’s still unfolding. The one that will last forever. We’re part of God’s story—the one He’s writing—the story of salvation. And because we’re in God’s story, our story begins even before we were born.” *Michelle Bauman, Director of Y4Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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This week:

Sunday, 8/9	9am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF
	10am	Divine Service Fellowship

Sat, 8/15	1pm	Service of Dedication – Calvary Lutheran High School
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Sunday, 8/16	9am	Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF
	10am	Divine Service Banner Party
	2pm	Heisinger Chapel

“O you of little faith”

Poor Peter. He was a man of highs and lows. Often, they were separated by mere minutes. In the Gospel reading for day, from Matthew 14, we hear of Peter’s brief walk on the water with Jesus. Bold as usual, Peter asked, and Jesus invited him, “Come.” But Peter’s bravado was quickly overcome by his senses, feeling the wind, seeing the waves. His trust in His Lord faltered. He began to sink. It is not that Peter had kept himself on the water to that point, but his trust at first received all that Jesus had to offer.

When Peter began to sink, “Jesus immediately reached out his hand” and rescued Peter. If Peter’s faith was not enough to keep him above the water, Jesus would do it directly and physically. And he chastised Peter, essentially calling him “Little faith” (even if it sounds like a Native American name!). This was not the only time Jesus referred to Peter or the other disciples as “Little faith”s; He also used the term of them in the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 6) and after calming the storm at sea (Matthew 8).

This provides a good touchpoint for us. Faith is not all-or-nothing. Though faith is a gift of God (Romans 5:2), it is never perfect in this life. Though God calls us to love Him with our whole being (Luke 10:27), we allow other things to get in the way. This is the very nature of sin – trusting in something *other* than God, choosing something *other* than what He has prepared for us.

The devil takes great satisfaction in reminding people of their sins, their less-than-complete trust in God. But Jesus is always ready to remind you that your faith does not save you: He does! He loves to point you back to your Baptism, when you were “buried with Christ” (Romans 6:4). Through the water, Jesus saved you from your sin and from trusting in yourself. Through the water, Jesus gave you new life and faith in Him, the only One who can save you from your sin and lack of faith!

... just like He saved Peter through the water, giving him a new birth and a living hope (1 Peter 1:3).

Confession and Absolution

722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

- 1 Lord, take my hand and lead me
Upon life's way;
Direct, protect, and feed me
From day to day.
Without Your grace and favor
I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior,
And lead the way.
- 2 Lord, when the tempest rages,
I need not fear,
For You, the Rock of Ages,
Are always near.
Close by Your side abiding,
I fear no foe,
For when Your hand is guiding,
In peace I go.
- 3 Lord, when the shadows lengthen
And night has come,
I know that You will strengthen
My steps toward home.
Then nothing can impede me,
O blessed Friend;
So take my hand and lead me
Unto the end.

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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

Psalms 34:4–8; antiphon: v. 1

I will bless the LORD at | all times,*
 his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.
 I sought the LORD, and he | answered me*
 and delivered me from | all my fears.
 Those who look to him are | radiant,*
 and their faces shall never | be ashamed.
 This poor man cried, and the LORD | heard him*
 and saved him out of all his | troubles.
 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear him,*
 and de- | livers them.
 Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!*
 Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!

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.
I will bless the LORD at | all times,*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

Kyrie

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.
Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and
danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully
accomplish what You want done; 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

Job 38:4–18

⁴[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the
foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.
⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
 Or who stretched the line upon it?
⁶On what were its bases sunk,
 or who laid its cornerstone,
⁷when the morning stars sang together
 and all the sons of God shouted for joy?
⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors
 when it burst out from the womb,
⁹when I made clouds its garment
 and thick darkness its swaddling band,
¹⁰and prescribed limits for it
 and set bars and doors,
¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
 and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?
¹²“Have you commanded the morning since your days began,
 and caused the dawn to know its place,
¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,
 and the wicked be shaken out of it?
¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal,
 and its features stand out like a garment.
¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld,
 and their uplifted arm is broken.
¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea,
 or walked in the recesses of the deep?
¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you,
 or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?
 Declare, if you know all this.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 10:5–17

⁵Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is

saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:22–33

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.”

²⁸And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” ²⁹He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

Sit

717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

- 1 Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.
- 2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain,
O'er which our traffic runs amain
By mountain pass or valley low;
Wherever, Lord, Thy people go,
Protect them by Thy guarding hand
From ev'ry peril on the land.
- 2a O Christ, whose voice the waters heard
And hushed their raging at Thy word,

Who walkedst on the foaming deep
And calm amid its rage didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

3 O Spirit, whom the Father sent
To spread abroad the firmament;
O Wind of heaven, by Thy might
Save all who dare the eagle's flight,
And keep them by Thy watchful care
From ev'ry peril in the air.

3a Most Holy Spirit, who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
And bid its angry tumult cease,
And give, for wild confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

4 O Trinity of love and pow'r,
Our people shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea.

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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 Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all

people according to their needs.

O Lord, our God, we do not presume to know Your ways or inform Your judgment. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may know Your Son by faith. Give us wisdom, that we may trust in Your Word amid the stormy seas of this mortal life and be safely delivered from all danger. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, You send pastors so that we may hear of Your mercy for us. Continue to raise up men to serve. Bless our seminaries with faithful teachers and students, that the Good News may be proclaimed, heard and believed in every place. Bless all pastors, missionaries, and military chaplains as they serve in Your Name, including Pastor Peter Kurowski and missionaries Anika Alayton, Britt Odemba, Jordan Logston, Genevieve (Gena) Nelson, Joyce Erber, Lilian Rosin Hilscher, Tirzah Krey, and Melissa Pflug. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, bless all Christian homes with Your presence. Make them places of peace and refuge in Christ. Strengthen all married couples, that their union as husband and wife might be a reflection of Christ and His Church. Bless all Your children; especially this week pour out your blessings on Joy Heidbreder (8/9), Grace Young (8/10), Taylor Dennigmann (8/10), Colton Distler (8/12), Jeremy Amick (8/15), Leroy & Barb Stahlman (8/11), and Matthew & Sara Wilkerson (8/14). Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Gracious Lord, You stand over all creation. Speak peace to the nations, that war and violence may end. Raise up good and faithful leaders who will act justly and protect the weak, the vulnerable and the unborn from exploitation and oppression. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P God of compassion, teach us to make our requests known to You and to be anxious for nothing. Send Your healing hand upon the sick and the suffering [*including Cindy Eggen, Marguerite Young, Addy Beinlich, and Mary Messer*]. Guard them with Your peace in Christ Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Merciful Lord, grant that we who come to Your table may receive

with faith all that is given to us in the communion of Your body and blood. Let us truly be united in confession even as we are one at the table of our Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, our God, be our light in darkness, our strength in weakness, our courage in fear and our peace in distress. Speak to us by the voice of Your Word, that we may call upon You in the day of trouble and confess Your saving name before all people. Hear us for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You 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. 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

627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

- 1 Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior,
Turned away God's wrath forever;
By His bitter grief and woe
He saved us from the evil foe.
- 2 As His pledge of love undying,
He, this precious food supplying,
Gives His body with the bread,
And with the wine the blood He shed.
- 3 Jesus here Himself is sharing;
Heed then how you are preparing,
For if you do not believe,
His judgment then you shall receive.
- 4 Praise the Father, who from heaven
To His own this food has given,
Who, to mend what we have done,
Gave into death His only Son.
- 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken
That this food is to be taken
By the sick who are distressed,
By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- 6 Agony and bitter labor
Were the cost of God's high favor;
Do not come if you suppose
You need not Him who died and rose.
- 7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor,
And receive My grace and favor:
Those who feel no pain or ill
Need no physician's help or skill.
- 8 "For what purpose was My dying
If not for your justifying?
And what use this precious food
If you yourself were pure and good?"
- 9 If your heart this truth professes
And your mouth your sin confesses,

You will be your Savior's guest,
Be at His banquet truly blest.

- 10 Let this food your faith so nourish
That its fruit of love may flourish
And your neighbor learn from you
How much God's wondrous love can do.

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739 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

- 1 Precious Lord, take my hand,
Lead me on, let me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night,
Lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

- 2 When my way grows drear,
Precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call;
Hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

- 3 When the darkness appears
And the night draws near
And the day is almost gone,
At the river I stand;
Guide my feet, hold my hand,
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

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718 Jesus, Lead Thou On

- 1 Jesus, lead Thou on
Till our rest is won;
And although the way be cheerless,
We will follow calm and fearless.
Guide us by Thy hand
To our fatherland.

- 2 If the way be drear,
If the foe be near,

Let not faithless fears o’ertake us;
Let not faith and hope forsake us;
For through many a woe
To our home we go.

- 3 When we seek relief
From a long-felt grief,
When temptations come alluring,
Make us patient and enduring.
Show us that bright shore
Where we weep no more.

- 4 Jesus, lead Thou on
Till our rest is won.
Heav’nly leader, still direct us,
Still support, console, protect us,
Till we safely stand
In our fatherland.

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726 Evening and Morning

- 1 Evening and morning,
Sunset and dawning,
Wealth, peace, and gladness,
Comfort in sadness:
These are Thy works; all the glory be Thine!
Times without number,
Awake or in slumber,
Thine eye observes us,
From danger preserves us,
Causing Thy mercy upon us to shine.
- 2 Father, O hear me,
Pardon and spare me;
Calm all my terrors,
Blot out my errors
That by Thine eyes they may no more be scanned.
Order my goings,
Direct all my doings;
As it may please Thee,
Retain or release me;
All I commit to Thy fatherly hand.
- 3 Ills that still grieve me

Soon are to leave me;
Though billows tower,
And winds gain power,
After the storm the fair sun shows its face.
Joys e'er increasing
And peace never ceasing:
These shall I treasure
And share in full measure
When in His mansions God grants me a place.

- 4 To God in heaven
All praise be given!
Come, let us offer
And gladly proffer
To the Creator the gifts He doth prize.
He well receiveth
A heart that believeth;
Hymns that adore Him
Are precious before Him
And to His throne like sweet incense arise.

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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.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Salutation

LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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

C Amen, amen, amen.

588 Jesus Loves Me

sts. 1, ref, 2

1 Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong. Refrain

ref Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

2 Jesus loves me! He who died
Heaven's gates to open wide.
He has washed away my sin,
Lets His little child come in. Refrain

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