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Worship:

- Saturday: 6:15 p.m.
- Sunday: 9:15 a.m.
- Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. *(Located in the church basement)*
- Sunday Morning Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.
- Adult Bible Class: 10:45 a.m.

Office Hours:

- Monday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.;
- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.; *(12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Lunch)*
- Friday, 9 a.m. – Noon

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From the Pastor

Grace, mercy and peace to you all from God our Father through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

I pray that you all are well and safe. Continue practicing patience during this confusing time. Keep watch and stay in contact with family, friends and fellow workers. Simply stay busy doing that which is good and pleasing in the sight of God.

I am including activities and learning suggestions for you and your children of all ages. I hope this will deepen your appreciation and understand of the Divine Service.

For younger children

Word Search: Jesus

[Underline or highlight this word or phrase throughout the Divine Service]

A Sunday School lesson can be found at our website: www.trinitylutherantaylorville.org

5th graders and older: Mark the service with directional arrows [↗] as to show what direction the interaction between God, us and with each other is taking place.

The coloring page can be saved in Paint 3D for your children and you to color on the computer screen.

Also, have those who can read, answer the questions found throughout the Divine Service. They can highlight or underline the answers usually found above the questions.

For older children especially those who are in or have in the past studied Luther's Small Catechism

Where is this found in the Luther's Small Catechism? Put *LSC* in the margin and the section [*Ten Commandments, Creed, Lord's Prayer, Baptism, Office of the Keys, or the Lord's Supper*] of the catechism where this teaching can be found. [*ex: LSC-Baptism*]

A Bible Study on one of the lessons can be found at our website:
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Adults/parents

You may find this helpful to do the above also, even the drawing and coloring. For the youngest of your children, draw a cross or a picture, if your talent so allows, anywhere in the Divine Service and let your little ones color them.

Another exercise you can do is to journal your thoughts on the Word and the following service. Each day read through a section and journal your thoughts and/or insights you may have. If you know to insert and use “Text Box” that is a good way to do it. You may also go to “References” and use “Foot Note” to record your thoughts or insight.

Registering for afterschool Catechizing Classes

Due to Taylorville School schedule changes, the times and the length of the after school catechizing classes are being changed. Let me know if this works for you as parents.

Starting after Labor Day, TLC will be offering afterschool catechizing classes as we have done so in the past. This year the class hour will be cut down to 30 minutes, 2:00- 2:30. Masks, hand washing or sanitizing, and safe distancing practices will be in place. For those who would rather do remote learning, arrangements can be made. The following schedule is being offered:

Monday: 2:00 – 2:30 High School Bible Study

Tuesday: 2:00 - 2:30 Jesus Company – 3rd and 4th graders

Wednesday: 2:00 - 2:30 Confirmation Class -7th and 8th graders

Thursday: 2:00 - 2:30 [and in addition: 3:30-4:00] 5th & 6th grade Catechizing class

Contact the church office to register or if you have any questions.

God bless, keep and increase your faith in Christ as you now read, mark and inwardly digest His Word.

Pass It On

In preparation for Proper 13 – August 2, 2020

It’s amazingly easy to turn a blind eye to the needs of a neighbor. We may have intentions of helping someone, yet the temptation to do what we want all too often gets the upper hand.

This is how Jesus’ disciples were acting *in a story that will be read in our church service this Sunday*. They had looked on while Jesus healed great crowds of people and taught them all day.

Now the sun was setting. It was time for food and rest. The disciples asked Jesus to “send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves” (Matthew 14:15). Yet Jesus did not stop showing compassion to the thronging crowds.

Instead, Jesus presented his followers with a challenge: “You give them something to eat” (Matthew 14:16). This completely blindsided the disciples, whose minds were set on their own bellies and beds.

How were they to feed over five thousand people with “only five loaves . . . and two fish” (Matthew 14:17)?

Jesus used this situation to teach his followers about faith in God. He also revealed His own heart of overflowing love for people. He blessed the small amount of food, broke it, and fed each and every person in attendance.

Not only did Jesus satisfy the hunger of all the people there, but there were even “twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over” (Matthew 14:20)! The disciples had been setting their focus on themselves, but Jesus’ sole focus remained on showing God’s love and compassion to others.

Christians seek to follow Jesus their Lord by serving their neighbors with the gifts that God has given them. For the compassionate heart of the One Who died and rose again is always directed toward others. Today it is directed toward you.

WORSHIP FOLDER
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 13
They All Ate and Were Satisfied
August 1 & 2, 2020

As We Gather

Happiness and contentment are hard to find. Even with our abundance of possessions and opportunity, our hearts remain restless for things new and different, for the promise of something better. Paul reminds us that contentment does not come from having everything we desire, but with faith in the Lord, who is gracious and merciful and supplies all our needs.

Today, we hear the terrible news of John the Baptist’s martyrdom and a crowd restless with hunger. In the midst of it all, Jesus shows forth grace to rest our fears and satisfy us with all we need. We pray that we learn to trust in the Lord and to find contentment and peace in His grace sufficient for all things.



Order of Divine Service *IV LSB 203*

Opening Hymn “*Lord, ’Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee*” *LSB 573*

- 1 Lord, ’tis not that I did choose Thee;
 That, I know, could never be;
 For this heart would still refuse Thee
 Had Thy grace not chosen me.
 Thou hast from the sin that stained me
 Washed and cleansed and set me free
 And unto this end ordained me,
 That I ever live to Thee.

- 2 It was grace in Christ that called me,
 Taught my darkened heart and mind;

Else the world had yet enthralled me,
To Thy heav'nly glories blind.
Now I worship none above Thee;
For Thy grace alone I thirst,
Knowing well that, if I love Thee,
Thou, O Lord, didst love me first.

- 3 Praise the God of all creation;
Praise the Father's boundless love.
Praise the Lamb, our expiation,
Priest and King enthroned above.
Praise the Spirit of salvation,
Him by whom our spirits live.
Undivided adoration
To the great Jehovah give.

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

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

God made a promise to you at your baptism. He promised to do what?

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Introit *Ps. 105:39–43; antiphon: Ps. 105:*

C Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!
He spread a cloud for a covering,
and fire to give light by night.
They asked, and he brought quail,
and gave them bread from heaven in abundance.
He opened the rock, and water gushed out;
it flowed through the desert like a river.
For he remembered his holy promise,
and Abraham, his servant.
So he brought his people out with joy,
his chosen ones with singing.
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.
Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!

*Why did God give the Children of Israel bread,
quail and water when they were in the wilderness?*

Kyrie *LSB 204*

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
A For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind,
let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
A For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the
proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
A For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us
all, let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
A For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
A For those who labor, those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who

travel, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

A For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

A For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

A For these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 204*

**C 1 To God on high be glory
And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father;
Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy;
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.**

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience;

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

What does God do for us even though we do not deserve it?

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 55:1–5

¹“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

We enjoy so many blessings because of Whom?

Psalm Psalm 136:1–9; antiphon: v. 26

C **Give thanks to the God of heaven, for His steadfast love endures forever.**

P Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
C **for His steadfast love endures forever.**

P Give thanks to the God of gods,
C ***for His steadfast love endures forever.***

P Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
C ***for His steadfast love endures forever;***

P to Him who alone does great wonders,
C **for His steadfast love endures forever;**

P to Him who by understanding made the heavens,
C ***for His steadfast love endures forever;***

P to Him who spread out the earth above the waters,
C ***for His steadfast love endures forever;***

P to Him who made the great lights, the sun to rule over the day, the moon and stars to rule over the night,

C **for His steadfast love endures forever;**

**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.**

Give thanks to the God of heaven, for His steadfast love endures forever

What endures for ever?

Epistle Romans 9:1–13

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—²that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen. ⁶But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, ⁷and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” ⁸This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. ⁹For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return and Sarah shall have a son.” ¹⁰And not only so, but also when Rebecca had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, ¹¹though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God’s purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of his call—¹²she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” ¹³As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.”

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

God wants us to know that we are not saved by works but by His what?

Alleluia and Verse

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

C **These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Holy Gospel Matthew 14:13–21

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns.

¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

What did Jesus show about Himself when He fed the five thousand?

Throughout this Divine Service, highlight all the words and phrases that speak of God's loving care for us.

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 T of the world to come. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” *LSB 711*

- 1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us;
Much we need Your tender care.
In Your pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Your fold prepare.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
You have bought us; we are Yours.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
You have bought us; we are Yours.
- 2 We are Yours; in love befriend us,
Be the guardian of our way;
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us,
Seek us when we go astray.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Hear us children when we pray.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Hear us children when we pray.
- 3 You have promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
You have mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse, and pow’r to free.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Early let us turn to You.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Early let us turn to You.
- 4 Early let us seek Your favor,
Early let us do Your will;
Blessèd Lord and only Savior,
With Your love our spirits fill.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
You have loved us, love us still.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
You have loved us, love us still.

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Sermon "Flesh or Blood"

Romans 9:1–13

Introduction:

This is a personal observation on my part. I don't know if there are any studies to prove this conclusion. People do not claim to belong to a particular church body because their parents, their grandparents and their great-grandparents did. The "baby-boomer" generation pretty much destroyed that cultural idea. We were not loyal to any church body due to our heritage. And that may be a good thing.

I. By Genealogy?

Paul had to contend with this belief. His fellow Jews believed they were saved simply because they were descendants of Abraham and Isaac. Yes, they were the chosen Children of God. They received the covenant of God, the promise of becoming a great nation, possessing the promise land and from them would come the Messiah, the Savior of world.

They had the worship designed by God, the tabernacle and the sacrifices which God had prescribed. They had the patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, who received the promise from God. They had it all including the adoption as sons of God.

Yet, they were throwing it away by relying on these things for their salvation rather than on Christ Jesus. Paul has already discussed how obeying the law and other good works cannot save a person. He is now addressing that genealogy cannot save.

Not all of Abraham's descendants received what Isaac and his son, Jacob received. There are numerous descendants of Abraham and Isaac that were not born into the chosen people of God. They did not receive that covenant. And yet, the Messiah would come to save them as He would come to save all Adam's descendants.

Paul is pointing out that if being a descendant of someone saves, than why did God chose only one nation to carry the promise. One cannot be saved by being born Jewish or being born into a Christian family. One is saved through the promise God has given.

II. By God's Promise!

God had promised to send a Messiah, a Savior of the world. It would be this Messiah who would sacrifice Himself as an atoning sacrifice to God. The sin of the whole nation, the whole world would be placed upon Him. He would perish for the sins of the world. He would pour out His blood to cleanse the sinner of sin. He would die the death required of the sinner so that the sinner would live in the kingdom of God and finally in the promise land God has prepared for them.

This is the promise you and I live under and by which we are saved. Christ has united us to His death and resurrection by virtue of Baptism, that is, the Word and the water. He has given us His Holy Spirit as a guarantee and pledge that He has made us Children of God. He given us His body in the Sacrament of the Altar so that we may have the strength to trust in Him and live according to His will. He has given us His blood in the Sacrament of the Altar that we may be washed clean of our sins.

Nothing we have done has earned this. Our ancestors could not save us. Though like Paul, they would have been willing to be condemned for our sins if it would save us, as we also would be willing to be condemned for the sins of our loved one if it would save them. We can't. But Christ can and did. And He did it not only for our loved ones but for the whole world.

We have the promise. It is ours. God grant that we do not turn away from these promises but ever cling to them for our salvation.

Conclusion:

Some cultural influences should die away. We should be thankful if we have had the opportunity to grow up in a multigenerational Christian family. It was through their diligence in having us baptized and trained in the Christian faith that God worked His promise in our hearts.

And if we didn't come from a Christian family, thank God He sought us out. And may be by becoming a believer in Christ, God may have worked through us to bring His promise to them. All in all it is not being related to a Christian that saves. It is the promise of God that saves.

T AMEN T

Prayer of the Church

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

Hungry and thirsty we come to You, O Lord, and we pray You to supply us with all things needful to this body and life, and to teach us to receive Your gifts with thanksgiving. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P With restless hearts we come to You, O Lord, and we pray that by faith we rest our hopes, dreams, anxieties, and needs upon Your everlasting arms and find contentment and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Knowing that You have established Your Church by Your Word and Spirit and endowed her with the Means of Grace, we pray for those who serve us in Your name: for [name], our Synod President; [name], our District President; and for our pastors

and church workers. Raise up those who will follow in their footsteps and serve You faithfully on our behalf. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Knowing that all power is Yours both in heaven and on earth, we thank You for all the blessings bestowed upon us in this nation and for those who govern for the protection of the weak, the punishment of the evildoer, and the encouragement of virtue. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Broken and wounded, we come to You, O Lord, for healing, comfort, and consolation. Hear us on behalf of all those who cry to You in any need, [*especially . . . and those we name in our hearts*], that Your gracious will be done and all be preserved in affliction and raised to everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Mindful of the poor and those who struggle with daily needs, we ask You, O Lord, to grant us the good fruits of the earth and the fruits of our honest labors to supply what we need and for the poor, the needy, and the unemployed. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Local concerns may be added here.

P Bidden by Your Word, we come as Your baptized people to feast upon the very flesh of Christ in this bread and His blood in this cup. Grant us the Holy Spirit that we receive these holy gifts in faith and manifest the full fruits of repentance in lives of faith and obedience. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Hymns

“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’rs 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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“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness” **LSB 636**

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

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

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

4 Now in faith I humbly ponder
Over this surpassing wonder
That the bread of life is boundless
Though the souls it feeds are countless:
With the choicest wine of heaven

Christ's own blood to us is given.
Oh, most glorious consolation,
Pledge and seal of my salvation!

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

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

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

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

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Nunc Dimittis *LSB 211*

**C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.**

**2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.**

Benediction

**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 T give you peace.
C Amen.**

Hymn "In Thee Is Gladness" *LSB 818*

**1 In Thee is gladness
Amid all sadness,
Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
By Thee are given
The gifts of heaven,
Thou the true Redeemer art.
Our souls Thou wakest,
Our bonds Thou breakest;
Who trusts Thee surely
Has built securely;
He stands forever: Alleluia!
Our hearts are pining
To see Thy shining,
Dying or living
To Thee are cleaving;
Naught can us sever: Alleluia!**

**2 Since He is ours,
We fear no powers,**

Not of earth nor sin nor death.
He sees and blesses
In worst distresses;
He can change them with a breath.
Wherefore the story
Tell of His glory
With hearts and voices;
All heav'n rejoices
In Him forever: Alleluia!
We shout for gladness,
Triumph o'er sadness,
Love Him and praise Him
And still shall raise Him
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

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