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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. – 5 p.m.; *(12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Lunch)*

Friday, 9 a.m. – Noon

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You will find a Sunday School Lesson and Bible Study for this Sunday at this site also.

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 [underline or highlight]: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

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

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*]

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 excise 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.

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

Pass This On

In preparation for Proper 6 – June 14, 2020

A man about to turn 40 asked his physician about a strange swelling that he was experiencing. He asked the doctor to fix it, but the doctor said he couldn't. The man was flabbergasted. For the first time in his life, he was being told that medical science could not solve his every problem.

Nor could it quiet all his fears. Could this swelling lead to something worse? Well, they would just have to wait and see, the doctor said. There are no guarantees.

The Bible tells of Jesus sending His twelve disciples out to preach. Sometimes people would believe what they said about the kingdom of heaven, and sometimes they would not. The disciples had no guarantee in this regard.

Jesus said He was sending His men as sheep amidst wolves. Some of the people who did not believe would retaliate, turn violent, and give them over to the authorities. Jesus did not guarantee His disciples a bed of roses in this world. Someone has observed that Jesus was turning them into walking question marks as regards all securities that are in and of this world. This should come as no surprise. Although Jesus Himself had done nothing wrong, He was arrested, tried in a kangaroo court, and put to death in the most shameful way imaginable at the time. Yet in it all He was carrying out the plan of God for the world's salvation. For all that, God raised Him from the dead and gave Him the name above every name. He is Jesus, the One Who saves.

He did not need this world's security. He offers the only solid and lasting security. He offers it to -- and through -- His people.

You are invited to hear more about this in our church service on Sunday.

WORSHIP FOLDER
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 6
A New Heritage
June 13 & 14, 2020



AS WE GATHER

We begin the long, green season of Sundays after Pentecost by acknowledging the apostolic ministry whereby the authoritative Word of God is delivered to the world. Fundamental to faith in the Word is the understanding of our sin and the love of God for all. Through the apostle Paul, we are given this understanding—sin is an inherited disease from which no one is exempt as descendants of Adam. Even greater, however, is to understand and believe that forgiveness of sin and eternal life come to all who hear and believe the Gospel call to repentance. By Baptism we receive forgiveness and the righteousness of Christ our Savior. God's Word continue to be proclaimed to this day. Thank God for the ministry and His ministers who open to us the way of saving faith.

ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE *IV LSB 203*

OPENING HYMN LSB 571 *God Love the World So that He Gave*

- 1 God loved the world so that He gave
His only Son the lost to save,
That all who would in Him believe
Should everlasting life receive.

- 2 Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,
Who was made flesh and suffered death;
All then who trust in Him alone
Are built on this chief cornerstone.

- 3 God would not have the sinner die;
His Son with saving grace is nigh;
His Spirit in the Word declares
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.

- 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
Forgives all sins which you have done;
And, justified by Jesus' blood,
Your Baptism grants the highest good.

- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
That is the firmest ground of faith.

- 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To You, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally!

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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, 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.

We know God loves us because He does what? [Underline or highlight the answer in the above paragraph.]

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT *Psalm 56:3–4, 10–11; antiphon: v. 13*

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,
that I may walk before God in the light of life.

When I am afraid,

I put my trust in you.

In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.

What can flesh do to me?

In God, whose word I praise,

in the LORD, whose word I praise,

in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.

What can man do to me?

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.

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,
that I may walk before God in the light of life.

Because our loving God does the for us we do not have to be afraid of anyone or anything. [Underline or highlight the answer in the aboveIntroit.]

Kyrie *LSB 204*

- A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind,
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,
For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all,
For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth,
For those who labor, those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who
travel,
For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned,
and for all those in prison,
For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them,
For these and for all our needs of body and soul,
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.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor Let us pray. Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation Amen

*We know that God loves us. This is why we can ask of what?
[Underline or highlight the answer in the above prayer.]*

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 19:2–8

²[The people of Israel] set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, ³while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: ⁴You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; ⁶and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”

⁷So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ⁸All the people answered together and said, “All that the LORD has spoken we will do.” And Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD.

How did God want to show His love to the Israelites? [Underline or highlight the answer in the above reading.]

PSALM Psalm 100; antiphon: v. 5

¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

²Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

³Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

⁵For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

How do we show that we know God loves us? [Underline or highlight the answer in the above Psalm.]

EPISTLE Romans 5:6–15

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

¹²Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— ¹³for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

When did God make us His friends? [Underline or highlight the answer in the above reading.]

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 9:35—10:20

³⁵Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction.

³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

¹And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. ²The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother;

James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷And proclaim as you go, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ ⁸Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay. ⁹Acquire no gold nor silver nor copper for your belts, ¹⁰no bag for your journey, nor two tunics nor sandals nor a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. ¹¹And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. ¹²As you enter the house, greet it. ¹³And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. ¹⁵Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town.

¹⁶“Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, ¹⁸and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. ¹⁹When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. ²⁰For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.”

Because Jesus loves us all what did He do according to this reading? [Underline or highlight the answer]

[Underline or highlight throughout the Divine Service any and all acts that God has done and is doing to show that He loves us dearly. Put a [♥] in the margin beside the underlined or highlighted words.]

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 T everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day “Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling”*LSB 827*

- 1 Hark, the voice of Jesus calling,
“Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting—
Who will bear the sheaves away?”
Loud and long the Master calleth;
Rich reward He offers thee.
Who will answer, gladly saying,
“Here am I, send me, send me”?
- 2 Some take up His task in morning,
To their Lord responding soon;
Some are called in heat of midday,
Others late in afternoon;
Even as the sun is setting,
Some are sent into the fields,
There to gather in the bounty
That God’s Word so richly yields.
- 3 For as rain and snow from heaven
Water seeds in dusty soil,
Causing them to bud and flower,
Giving bread to those who toil;
So the Lord sends forth His promise,
Words of life and joy and peace—
Never void to Him returning,
Bearing fruit with great increase.
- 4 Hearken to the Lord whose coming
Marks the time when grace shall end,
When with His angelic reapers
He in glory shall descend.
Soon the night, the final harvest;
Soon the time for work shall cease.
Then the souls His grace has garnered
Shall enjoy His Sabbath peace.

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Sermon *Based on Romans 5:6–15*

Title:
“Past Enemies Now Loved”

Introduction:

I do not remember a time when the Japanese were our bitter enemies. I don't remember when Germany was hated by us. I don't remember despising the British. As long as I have been alive these three nations have been our allies.

I. We were once enemies of God

I do not remember being an enemy of God. Since my Baptism in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I have been his beloved child. Most of you can identify with this. You have never have lived under the wrath and anger of God. You don't know what it is like to be separated from God or estranged from him. Early on in your life, you were baptized into Christ, His death and resurrection. Your sin washed away and the Holy Spirit placed into your heart. You have known a good and gracious God all your life. You have gone to Him in prayer and repentance. You have praised His name and have given thanks for the salvation He has won for you and all people.

Yet, we know and understand that this reconciliation between the Father and us was accomplished while we were yet enemies of Him. It is hard to believe that God was ever so angry with us that He would have separated Himself from us. In truth, it was us who separated ourselves from God. We were the ones whose sin estranged us from God. It was us who sinned and put God in the position of judge and executer. It was us who rebelled and rejected God as our God.

We share in the sin of our first parents, Adam and Eve. This sinful nature has been passed down generation after generation. And if we do not think this is true, than look to our hatred toward others. This hatred that can pour out of our hearts toward others comes from a hatred for God. We want to be judge and executer of those whom have done evil or what we thought was evil in our sight. Our hatred for others is a reflection of what it means to be enemies with God. This is not limited to racial hatred but all hatred toward anyone who is our neighbor, family or of the household of God. Their sin, our sin has made us enemies with each other and with God.

There are times when we feel God is angry with us. We have not lived up to His commands. We have turned away from Him. We sin and try to hide from God. Again, it is we who feel this way and buy into the lie that God is still angry with us. It is guilt that leads to us think we are estranged from God. Satan and our sinful flesh tell us that we deserve God's just wrath and punishment. It is true. But it is not the way God the Father approaches us.

II. Now we are justified by God

He comes to us in grace and mercy. He comes with a forgiving heart and with arms to embrace us as His dear children. He looks upon us with pity and in anger. For, He has satisfied His wrath through His Son Jesus Christ.

We are people who look to dialogue to bring warring factions together. Unions and owners sit down at a table in order to work out their differences. Nations gather at a table to bring about peace. Apologies being offered to calm the angry heart of the one insulted or injured. But only in Christ, do we see the Father move into action to calm and satisfy His own anger so that He can approach His enemies, we sinners, in peace.

Our Father in heaven did not sit down with us to discuss how we are going to resolve this problem, this critical problem of our separation from Him. Before the world was created, the Father planned to have His Son, Jesus, bear the full brunt of His anger. The just wrath that Father had toward us He poured out on Jesus.

And because Jesus would and did suffer the full wrath of God for us all, the Father was reconciled to us before the world was created. This is why He could come to Adam and Eve in the garden with a promise of salvation rather than bearing down on them in just anger.

Yes, the one man, Jesus Christ, was able to accomplish this for us. It was His life, death and resurrection that reconciled the Father to us. And when Christ put His Holy Spirit into our hearts, creating a faith and trust in Jesus to have accomplished all that is needed for our salvation, He has reconciled us to the Father.

We do not view Him as an angry God. We do not consider Him a wrathful God seeking to punish those who disobey Him. He is not considered our enemy.

He is seen by us as our dear Father in heaven. We go to Him in repentance. We see our sin but knowing His forgiveness we go to Him because He will and does forgive us. When we see ourselves wandering away from Him we know that we come into His presence and are welcomed once again. When we find ourselves in any need or want, we go to Him without hesitation because He is our dear Father and we are His dear Children.

Conclusion:

We give Him thanks that He didn't wait until we stopped being enemies with Him to reconcile us to Himself. This would have never happened. We would still be in our sin and would have perished. We would not have turned back to God but instead hated Him for all eternity even though we were at fault for separating ourselves from God.

We give God the glory and the honor in this matter. It was He alone who reconciled Himself to us and us to Him. He alone did what was needed to save us from ourselves

and our sinful ways. He alone brought us back into His family and made us one again.

This is the good news that is to be preached to all and to all nations. God grant that all who hear this message of reconciliation be reconciled to God now and forever.

T AMEN T

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Almighty God, we give thanks for all Your goodness and bless You for the love that sustains us from day to day. We praise You for the gift of Your Son, our Savior, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. We thank You for the Holy Spirit, the Comforter; for Your holy Church, for the means of grace, for the lives of all faithful and just people, and for the hope of the life to come. Help us to treasure in our hearts all that You have done for us, and enable us to show our thankfulness in lives that are wholly given to Your service. Save and defend Your whole Church, purchased with the precious blood of Christ. Strengthen Your faithful people through the Word and the holy Sacraments, making them perfect in love and in all good works, and establishing in them the faith once delivered to the saints. Grant Your wisdom and heavenly grace to all pastors and to those who hold office in Your Church that, by their devoted service, faith may abound and Your kingdom increase. Send the light of Your truth into all the earth. Raise up faithful servants of Christ to advance the Gospel both at home and in distant lands. In Your mercy strengthen newly established congregations, and support them in challenging times. Make them steadfast, abounding in the work of the Lord, and let their faith and zeal for the Gospel refresh and renew the witness of Your people everywhere. Preserve our nation in justice and honor that we may lead a peaceable life with integrity. Grant health and favor to all who bear office in our land, especially the president and congress of the United States, the governor and legislature of this state, and to all those who make, administer, and judge our laws. Help them to serve this people according to Your holy will. Take from us all hatred and prejudice, give us the spirit of love, and order our days in Your peace. Prosper the labor of those who work to bring peace and justice to the nations of the world that mutual understanding and common endeavor may be increased among all peoples. Bless the schools of the Church and all colleges, universities, and centers of research and those who teach and work in them. Grant Your wisdom in such measure that people may serve You honorably in Church and state, and that our common life may be conformed to the ways of Your truth. Sanctify our homes with Your presence, and bless them with joy. Keep our children in the covenant of their Baptism, and enable their parents to bring them up in lives of faith and devotion. Unite the members of all families in a spirit of

affection and service that they may show Your praise in our land and in all the world.

Let Your blessing remain upon the seedtime and harvest, the commerce and industry, the leisure and rest, the arts and culture of our people. Take under Your special protection those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and be with all who put their hands to any useful task. Give them the just rewards for their labor and the knowledge that their work is a blessing in Your sight.

By Your Word and Holy Spirit comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Be with those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those to whom death draws near. Bring consolation to those in sorrow, and grant to all a measure of Your love, taking them into Your tender care.

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served You in Your Church on earth, who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joys of Your heavenly kingdom.

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

Amen.

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

“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” *LSB 437*

- 1 Alas! And did my Savior bleed,
And did my sov' reign die?
Would He devote that sacred head
For such a worm as I?
- 2 Was it for crimes that I had done
He groaned upon the tree?

Amazing pity, grace unknown,
And love beyond degree!

3 Well might the sun in darkness hide
And shut his glories in
When God, the mighty maker, died
For His own creatures' sin.

4 Thus might I hide my blushing face
While His dear cross appears,
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness,
And melt mine eyes to tears.

5 But drops of grief can ne'er repay
The debt of love I owe;
Here, Lord, I give myself away:
'Tis all that I can do.

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“In Adam We Have All Been One” *LSB 569*

1 In Adam we have all been one,
One huge rebellious man;
We all have fled that evening voice
That sought us as we ran.

2 We fled Thee, and in losing Thee
We lost our brother too;
Each singly sought and claimed his own;
Each man his brother slew.

3 But Thy strong love, it sought us still
And sent Thine only Son
That we might hear His Shepherd's voice
And, hearing Him, be one.

4 O Thou who, when we loved Thee not,
Didst love and save us all,
Thou great Good Shepherd of mankind,
O hear us when we call.

5 Send us Thy Spirit, teach us truth;
Thou Son, O set us free
From fancied wisdom, self-sought ways,
To make us one in Thee.

6 Then shall our song united rise
To Thine eternal throne,
Where with the Father evermore
And Spirit Thou art one.

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“When in the Hour of Deepest Need” **LSB 615**

1 When in the hour of deepest need
We know not where to look for aid;
When days and nights of anxious thought
No help or counsel yet have brought,

2 Then is our comfort this alone
That we may meet before Your throne;
To You, O faithful God, we cry
For rescue in our misery.

3 For You have promised, Lord, to heed
Your children’s cries in time of need
Through Him whose name alone is great,
Our Savior and our advocate.

4 And so we come, O God, today
And all our woes before You lay;
For sorely tried, cast down, we stand,
Perplexed by fears on ev’ry hand.

5 O from our sins, Lord, turn Your face;
Absolve us through Your boundless grace.
Be with us in our anguish still;
Free us at last from ev’ry ill.

6 So we with all our hearts each day
To You our glad thanksgiving pay,
Then walk obedient to Your Word,
And now and ever praise You, Lord.

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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.**

Closing Hymn “All People That on Earth Do Dwell” *LSB 791*

1 All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell;
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

2 Know that the Lord is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make.
We are His folk, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

3 O enter then His gates with praise;
Approach with joy His courts unto.
Praise, laud, and bless His name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

4 For why? The Lord our God is good:
His mercy is forever sure.
His truth at all times firmly stood
And shall from age to age endure.

5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom heav'n and earth adore,
From us and from the angel host
Be praise and glory evermore.

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