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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: Hear/Hearing*

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

A Sunday School lesson can be found at our website: [www.trinitylutherantaylorville.org](http://www.trinitylutherantaylorville.org)

5<sup>th</sup> 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**

With public schools going to remote learning and Vision Way still offering full day classes, the afterschool catechizing classes are going to take on a new look. Remote learning without video capabilities will be offered for those who register for remote learning. Small group sessions can be made available pending students’ schedule. Once you know their schedules let me know.

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 14 – August 9, 2020*

Alex was sitting by the lake, gazing out at the sun setting over the water, with a slight breeze dancing across his skin. Although the world was beyond his comprehension, he still loved treasuring its beauty each day.

In a Scripture reading for this week, God talked about this beautiful world that He created. He spoke to a man named Job about a creation that lies beyond man’s comprehension.

God began by asking Job: “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding” (Job 38:4). The language used here indicates creation as God’s personal handiwork, crafted with care – something into which He poured His energy.

Not only was this creation made with the utmost care; it also displays the majesty and power of God. A bit later, the LORD said to Job: “Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place?” (Job 38:12).

The world around us shows both the majesty and care of God. Furthermore, the glorious truth is that He so carefully and majestically created everything around us for the benefit of His most intimate and beautiful creation: you and me.

This intimate relationship between the Creator and His creation showed itself above all when God sent His one and only Son Jesus Christ. Jesus gave His life for all of mankind, thereby redeeming and cleansing people created by God.

We will never fully comprehend our Creator’s love, however much we treasure the beauty of His works. It is through Jesus that our God shows just how He loves His children. The Bible says that “if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation” (2 Corinthians 5:17).

*You are invited to hear more about the intimate handiwork of our Creator this coming Sunday.*

**WORSHIP FOLDER**  
**TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 14**  
**In the Name of God the Father**  
**August 8 & 9, 2020**

**As We Gather**

Almighty Father, heav’n and earth  
With lavish wealth before Thee bow;  
Those treasures owe to Thee their birth,  
Creator, Ruler, Giver, Thou. (*TLH* 438:1)



With those poetic words from years ago, English hymnwriter Edward Dayman describes God the Father at work. He not only created us and rules over us, but He is also known to us in His giving—the giving of the daily blessings we receive and, most important, the giving of His Son to be our Savior. Prompted by the Holy Spirit, we bring to God our praises as part of the good service of our lives. The heavenly Father awaits our response to His gracious giving!

**Order of Divine Service *IV LSB 203***

**Opening Hymn “*The Lord, My God, Be Praised*” *LSB 794***

- 1       The Lord, my God, be praised,  
          My light, my life from heaven;  
My maker, who to me  
          Has soul and body given;  
My Father, who will shield  
          And keep me day by day  
And make each moment yield  
          New blessings on my way.
  
- 2       The Lord, my God, be praised,  
          My trust, my life from heaven,  
The Father’s own dear Son,  
          Whose life for me was given,  
Who for my sin atoned  
          With His most precious blood

And gives to me by faith  
The highest heav'nly good.

3 The Lord, my God, be praised,  
My hope, my life from heaven,  
The Spirit, whom the Son  
In love to me has given.  
His grace revives my heart  
And gives my spirit pow'r,  
Help, comfort, and support  
In sorrow's gloomy hour.

4 The Lord, my God, be praised,  
My God, the ever-living,  
To whom the heav'nly host  
Their laud and praise are giving.  
The Lord, my God, be praised,  
In whose great name I boast,  
God Father, God the Son,  
And God the Holy Ghost.

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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.**

*How does God let you know the He has forgiven you all your sins?*

### Introit

C **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 delivers them.  
Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!  
Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!  
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.  
I will bless the LORD at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

*What do we use to praise our Lord?*

### 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.  
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.**

*We ask God to protect us so that we can do what?*

**Old Testament Reading Job 38:4–18**

<sup>4</sup>[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? <sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, <sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? <sup>8</sup>“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, <sup>9</sup>when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, <sup>10</sup>and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, <sup>11</sup>and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed’? <sup>12</sup>“Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, <sup>13</sup>that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? <sup>14</sup>It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. <sup>15</sup>From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. <sup>16</sup>“Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? <sup>17</sup>Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? <sup>18</sup>Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.”

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

*Who knows more about this world and us than God?*

**Psalm Psalm 18:1–6**

P I love You, O Lord, my strength.

C **The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

P I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

C **The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of destruction assailed me;**

P the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.

C **In my distress I called upon the Lord; to my God I cried for help.**

P From His temple He heard my voice, and my cry to Him reached His ears.

C **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.**

*Because God can help us, what can we do in times of trouble?*

**Epistle Romans 10:5–17**

<sup>5</sup>Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup>But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But 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); <sup>9</sup>because, 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. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction

between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” <sup>14</sup>But 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? <sup>15</sup>And 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!” <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

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

*What did God use to put faith in your heart?*

### **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 14:22–33**

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

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

<sup>22</sup>Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” <sup>28</sup>And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” <sup>29</sup>He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” <sup>32</sup>And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

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

*What did the disciples say about Jesus after He got in the boat?*

*Throughout this Divine Service, highlight all the work God does for us.*

### **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.**

**Hymn of the Day “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” *LSB 717 sts. 1–2, 2a, 3a, 4***

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, 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 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.

## **Sermon "Hearing"**

Romans 10:5-17

### Introduction:

Sound waves activate the hearing sense. The ability to hear does not activate sound waves. So, when a tree falls in the forest, it sends out a wave, or vibration. It does not become sound until it reaches the ear activating the sense of hearing.

When it comes to saving faith in our hearts, it is the Holy Spirit who activates our faith in Christ Jesus. He does so through the Word.

### I. It is near us

This takes place in our hearts. God is not a god who is distant from us. He doesn't just send us a letter or two to read and then waits for our response. He is not an impersonal God who does a mass mailing.

He takes deep interest in each and every one of us. He draws close to us. And it is not just to embrace His arms around us. He goes deeper. He actually dwells in us.

His Word is like seed. It penetrates the hearts and takes up roots there.

This Word that we are speaking of is Jesus Christ. He dwells in us. We did not go up to heaven to seek Him. We did not raise Him up from the dead to be our Savior. He came to us. He dwelt among us. The Word became flesh. He lived the perfect life. He suffered and died. He rose again. He ascended into heaven. He came to us to do for us what we could do for ourselves. He came to save us and give us life.

And yet, He does not stand outside of us saying, "Grab hold of me and I will save you." No, He grabs hold of us. More than that, He has entered into our hearts to dwell there with us till the end of time. So close is He to us that nothing can separate us from Him. He would have to be wrenched out of our hearts. And again, nothing is able to stop Him from reaching into our hearts and taking up residency.

### II. Faith comes by it

God wants us to be at peace about our salvation. He wants us to live with the assurance that He has forgiven us our sins and has united us to Him forever. And so, He declares to us that the faith we have in Him came through the hearing of His Word and not by any thought, word or deed on our part.

He has placed Himself within us so that we would believe and thus be justified, speak and be saved. The source of both the believing and the speaking is Christ and the Holy Spirit presence in our hearts. It is not produced by us for we could not produce it. It is not requested by us because we would never humble ourselves to request it. And it is not done apart from the Word

less we be deceived by false doctrines and man-made religions.

God has declared that He works through the Word to create faith in the hearts of people. He uses this mean so that we do not rely on our own wisdom and understanding. We are not able to comprehend a God so gracious and loving that He would sacrifice His own Son for the sin of the world. We would have continued to look only to ourselves for the hope of salvation. We would have been left in despair never knowing for sure if we could ever stand before God righteous in His sight.

Because God uses this means of grace, His Word, to reach our hearts, He sends out people with the Word to share with others. His great commission begins with “Go.” This could actually be translated, “As you are going.” This means that where ever one of God’s disciples goes or travels the Word of God goes with them. It means as we go to work, to school, to the store or wherever, God’s Word goes with us. It is not something we can leave at home. It is not something that remains at church. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, the Word is there. The message of salvation is close at hand and ready to be shared. Anyone around us is within hearing distance of God’s grace working in their heart.

This is why parents continue to speak to their children about Jesus. In doing so, Christ goes to work in the child’s heart to keep them in the one true faith. It is why we have conversation about Christ’s grace and mercy with others. The Holy Spirit goes to work on their hearts. It is why we continue to gather, even in small groups rather than large one in this day of the pandemic. It is so that the Holy Spirit works in our hearts to keep us in the one true faith till life everlasting.

#### Conclusion:

One of the greatest dangers to our salvation is the lie of Satan who says, “You know this stuff. You don’t need to listen to it any longer.” The sinful flesh of the young and old alike attempts to grab hold of this lie, so that, we separate ourselves from the hearing of God’s Word.

But God continues to seek us out. He continues to surround us with those who speak His Word so that we do not buy into this lie but rather rejoice that the Word remains in us convincing us to continue to hear God’s Word for the strengthening of faith and the assurance of our salvation.

T AMEN T

#### **Prayer of the Church**

P 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

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

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served You in Your Church on earth, who now rest from their labors (especially [name]). Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joys of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** 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.

**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

“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me” *LSB 722*

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 blessèd Friend;  
So take my hand and lead me  
Unto the end.

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“Earth and All Stars”*LSB 817*

1 Earth and all stars!  
Loud rushing planets!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Oh, victory!  
Loud shouting army!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!

ref He has done marvelous things.  
I too will praise Him with a new song!

2 Hail, wind, and rain!  
Loud blowing snowstorm!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Flowers and trees!  
Loud rustling dry leaves!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

3 Trumpet and pipes!  
Loud clashing cymbals!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Harp, lute, and lyre!

Loud humming cellos!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

4 Engines and steel!  
Loud pounding hammers!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Limestone and beams!  
Loud building workers!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

5 Classrooms and labs!  
Loud boiling test tubes!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Athlete and band!  
Loud cheering people!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

6 Knowledge and truth!  
Loud sounding wisdom!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Daughter and son!  
Loud praying members!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

7 Children of God,  
Dying and rising,  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Heaven and earth,  
Hosts everlasting,  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

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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** “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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