

December 10, 2023 Divine Service, setting 1 Hope Ev. Lutheran Church St. Louis, MO



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# + Confession and Absolution +

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

#### Invocation

- $\mathbf{P}$  In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

### Exhortation

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

### Confession of Sins

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- **C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

### Absolution

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

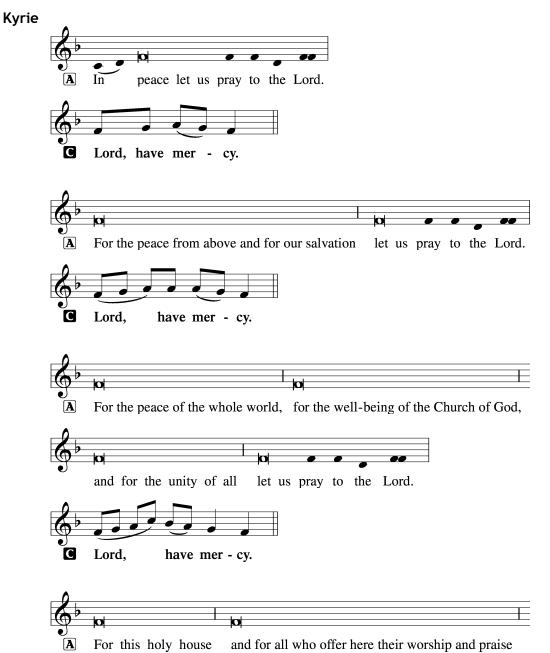
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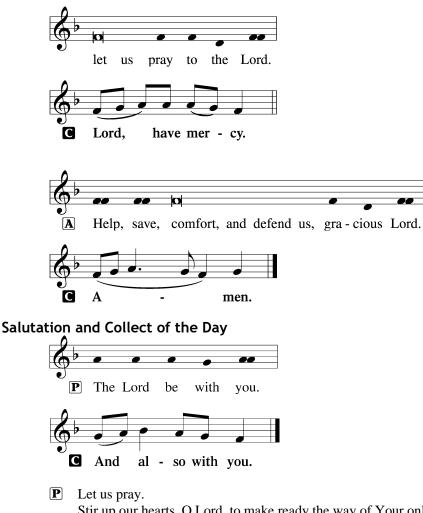


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## + Service of the Word +





Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **C** Amen.

### Sit

## **Old Testament Reading**

Malachi 4:1–6

<sup>1</sup> "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup>But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. <sup>3</sup>And you shall tread

down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

<sup>4</sup>"Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

<sup>5</sup>"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. <sup>6</sup>And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

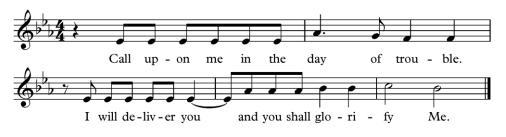
**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 50:1-15

God Himself is Judge antiphon by Matthew C. Janssen

The congregation sings the where indicated in **boldface** type. The choir will sing the italicized text.



Antiphon

Antiphon



The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks and sum/mons the earth from the rising of the sun /to its setting. Out of Zion, the perfect-|ion of beauty, God |shines forth.

## Antiphon

*Our* <u>/God</u> comes; he does not |keep silence; **before him is a de-**|**vouring fire, around him a |mighty tempest.**  He calls to the heav-/ens above and to the earth, that he may |judge his people: "Gather to me my |faithful ones, who made a covenant with |me by sacrifice!"

The heavens declare his /righteousness, for God him-/self is judge!

## Antiphon

Offer to God a sacrifice *|of thanksgiving,* and perform your vows to *|the Most High,* **and call upon me in the |day of trouble;** I will deliver you, and you shall glo-|rify me."

### Antiphon

#### Romans 15:4–13

<sup>4</sup>Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

<sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name."

<sup>10</sup>And again it is said,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people."

<sup>11</sup>And again,

"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him."

<sup>12</sup>And again Isaiah says,

"The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope."

<sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

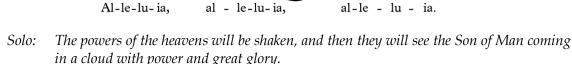
**C** Thanks be to God.

#### Stand

### Alleluia

All:

Mode VI Alleluia



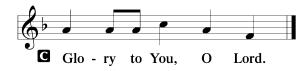
All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

### Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.



Luke 21:25–36



<sup>25</sup>[Jesus said:] "There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, <sup>26</sup>people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

<sup>29</sup>And he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. <sup>30</sup>As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup>"But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. <sup>35</sup>For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



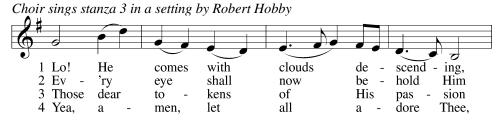
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#### Sermon

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#### Hymn of the Day

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending LSB 336



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### **Nicene Creed**

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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.

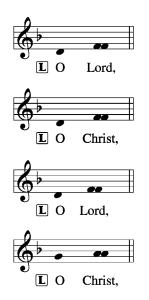
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, Lackmanuladae are Bontiam for the remission of sine

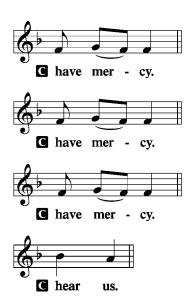
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

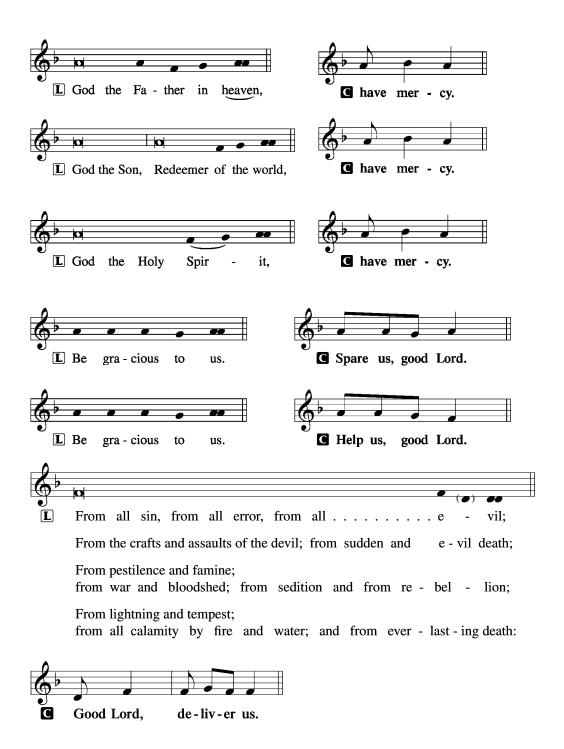
and I look for the resurrection of the dead

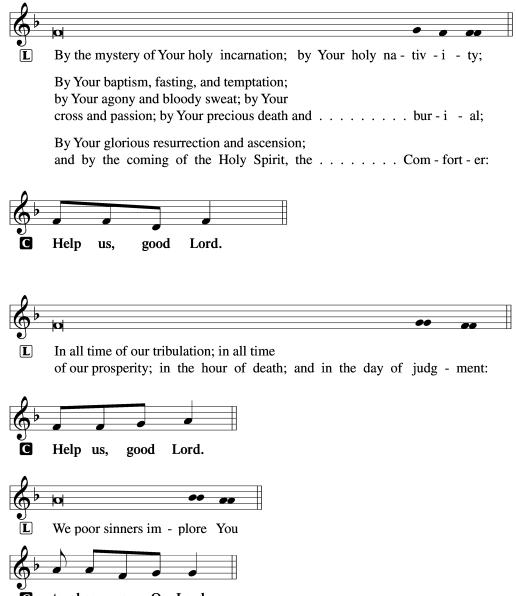
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

## + The Litany +

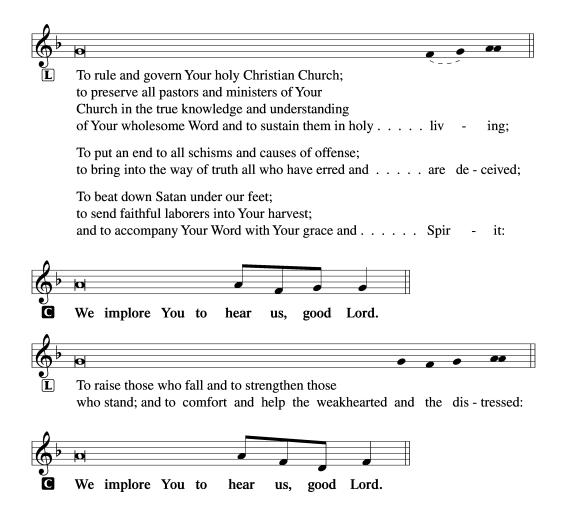


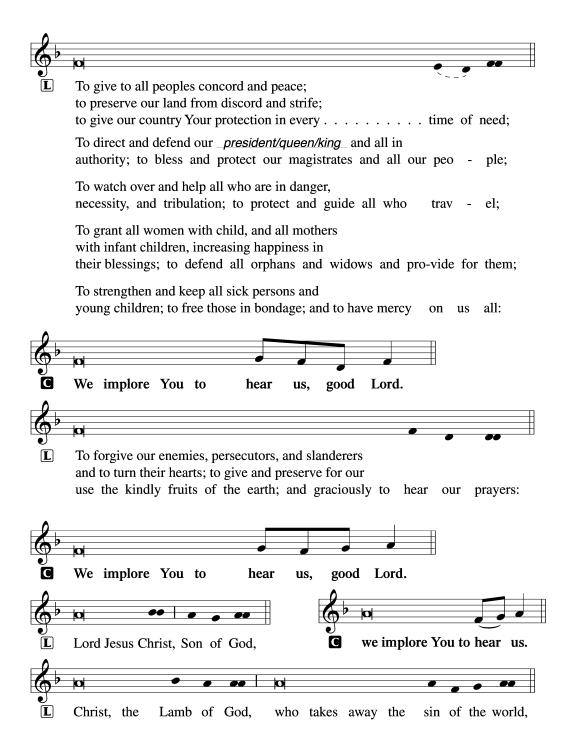






**C** to hear us, O Lord.







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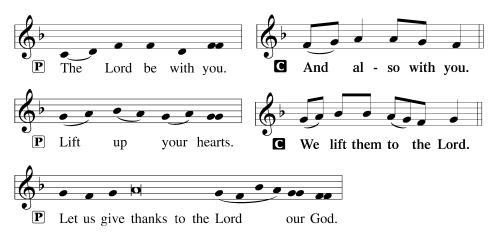
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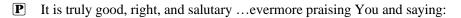
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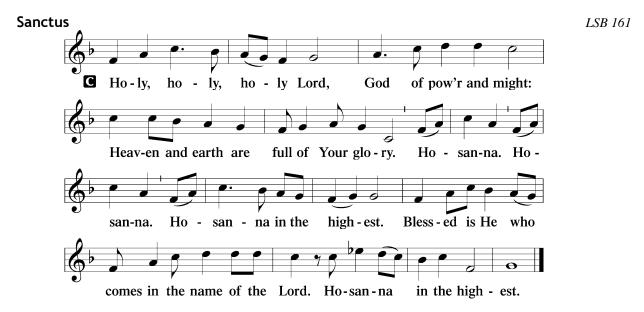
Preface

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## Prayer of Thanksgiving

■ Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

### The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My +→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

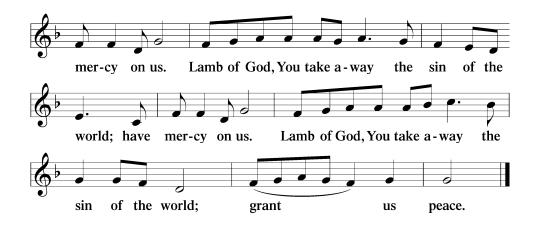
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
   Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

#### Lord's Prayer

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Our Father who art in heaven,





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#### Distribution

Hymn

Once He Came in Blessing LSB 333



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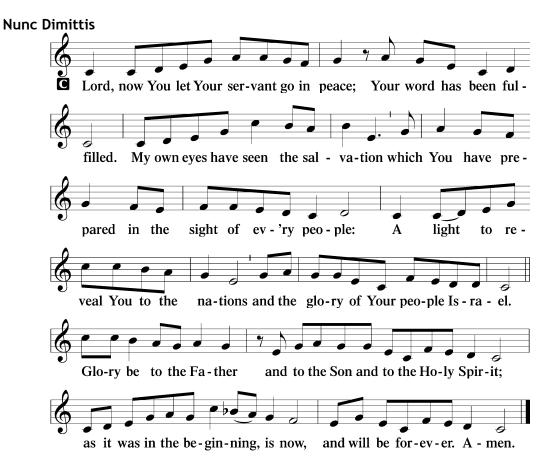


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#### Stand

#### The Dismissal

**C** Amen.



### **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness... through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

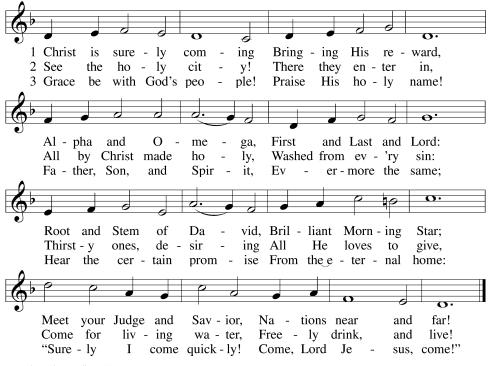
#### Benediction

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P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.





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#### **Pastoral Announcements**

#### Postlude

#### + Servants in the Lord's House +

Presiding Minister – Rev. Randy Asburry Assisting Ministers – Seminarians Henry Eising and Justin Hilton Organist – Mr. Matthew Janssen Choir – Schola Cantorum

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## Advent-Christmas-Epiphany 2023-24

Wednesday December 13: Advent 2 Midweek 7:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer

> **Saturday December 16** 10:30 a.m. – Christmas Decorating

Sunday December 17: Advent 3 9:00 a.m. – Divine Service

Wednesday December 20: Advent 3 Midweek 7:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer with Sunday School Christmas Service

> Sunday December 24: Advent 4 9:00 a.m. – Divine Service

Sunday December 24: Christmas Eve 4:00 p.m. – Festal Divine Service

Sunday December 25: Christmas Day 9:30 a.m. – Festal Divine Service

Sunday December 31: First Sunday after Christmas 9:00 a.m. – Divine Service

> Sunday December 31: New Year's Eve 4:00 p.m. – Divine Service

Saturday January 6: Epiphany of Our Lord 7:00 p.m. Festal Divine Service

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