

***PRESERVICE MUSIC***

***RINGING OF THE BELL***

***WELCOME***

*(Stand)*

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 50:7-10

Reader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of  
the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.**

R The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the  
earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**C Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify  
against you. I am God, your God.**

P Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings  
are continually before me.

**C I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from  
your folds.**

P For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand  
hills.

**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.**

P The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the  
earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**SONG "Bless the Lord"**

*Chorus*

**Bless the Lord O my soul**

**O my soul**

**Worship His holy name**

**Sing like never before**

**O my soul**

**I'll worship Your holy name**

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes (Chorus)

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find (Chorus)

And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore (Chorus)

*Ending*

**Worship Your holy name  
Lord I'll worship Your holy name**

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## **THE CONFESSIONAL PRAYER**

*Luke 18:13*

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of the Lord 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 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. *John 20:19-23*

**C: Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING Hosea 5:15—6:6**

<sup>15</sup>I will return again to my place,  
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face,  
and in their distress earnestly seek me.

- <sup>1</sup>"Come, let us return to the LORD;  
for he has torn us, that he may heal us;  
he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.
- <sup>2</sup>After two days he will revive us;  
on the third day he will raise us up,  
that we may live before him.
- <sup>3</sup>Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD;  
his going out is sure as the dawn;  
he will come to us as the showers,  
as the spring rains that water the earth."
- <sup>4</sup>What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?  
What shall I do with you, O Judah?  
Your love is like a morning cloud,  
like the dew that goes early away.
- <sup>5</sup>Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;  
I have slain them by the words of my mouth,  
and my judgment goes forth as the light.
- <sup>6</sup>For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE**          **Romans 4:13-25**

<sup>13</sup>The promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup>In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup>But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from

the dead Jesus our Lord, <sup>25</sup>who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*(Sit)*

## SONG

*“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”*

**Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face,  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace. Repeat.**

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*(Stand)*

## GOSPEL READING

Matthew 9:9–13

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

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

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him.

<sup>10</sup>And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” <sup>12</sup>But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup>Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to You, O Christ.**

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

## THE NICENE CREED

**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 shall 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 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 of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*

## THE CHILDREN'S TALK

### THE HYMN OF THE DAY

LSB 571 God Loved 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!

## **THE SERMON Jesus Welcomes Sinners Only**

## **THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

## **THE OFFERING**

## **THE PRAYERS** *Lord, in Your Mercy . . . **hear our prayer***

## **THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift our hearts to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**C** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**P** We praise you, Almighty God, that you gave your only Son over to death to bring salvation to us all. With angels and saints of heaven we glorify you and give you all honor and worship.

**C** **Amen and Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come.**

**Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## **THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**P** THE peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**

*(Sit)*

## **THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

## MUSIC DURING THE LORD'S SUPPER

*"Oh Lord, You're Beautiful"*

O Lord, You're beautiful, Your face is all I seek,  
For when Your eyes are on this child, Your grace abounds to me.

O Lord, please light the fire, that once burned bright and clear.  
Replace the lamp of my first love, that burned with holy fear.

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*"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"*

What a friend we have in Jesus  
All our sins and griefs to bear  
What a privilege to carry  
Ev'rything to God in pray'r  
Oh what peace we often forfeit  
Oh what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry  
Ev'rything to god in pray'r

*Chorus*

What a friend we have in Jesus  
What a friend we have in him  
For he knows us and he holds us in his hands  
And his grace is never failing  
And his love without an end  
What a friend we have in Jesus  
What a friend we have in him

Have we trials and temptations  
is there trouble anywhere  
We should never be discouraged  
Take it to the lord in pray'r  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
Who will all our sorrows share  
Jesus knows our every weakness  
Take it to the lord in pray'r *Chorus*

*ENDING:*

*What a friend we have in Jesus,  
What a friend we have in him.*

*"Give Thanks"*

**Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong!"  
Let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong!"  
Let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"  
Give thanks. Give thanks. Give thanks.**

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## **THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

### **THE BENEDICTION**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His favor upon you and give you peace.

**C Amen.**

### **THE CLOSING SONG"**

*"Sing Hallelujah"*

**Sing hallelujah to the Lord.**

**Sing hallelujah to the Lord.**

**Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah,**

**Sing hallelujah to the Lord. Repeat**

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# **To God Alone be All Glory**