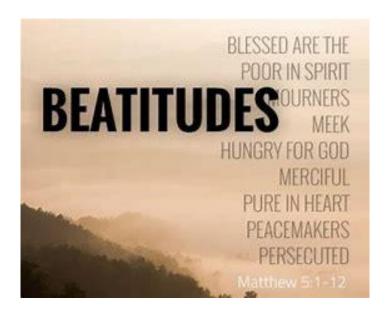
Mt. Pisgah Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

November 5, 2023

All Saints' Day (Observed)



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We are delighted to have you worship with us today. May this hour of praise and celebration be one of spiritual renewal. Please join us for worship at any time and sign the red Record of Fellowship pad in the pew. To inquire about membership or other information, please call the Church Office: 692-7027 or email us at mtpisgahlcms@gmail.com.

TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER



Holy Communion is celebrated at all services every Sunday and on special festivals. This Sacrament is the means by which Jesus Christ, the bread of life, gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. In this Meal, Jesus forgives our sins, gives us victory over death and Satan, and delivers his eternal salvation to us. Since this is the true body and true blood of Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and wine, we do not treat this sacrament lightly; rather, we receive it with great reverence and gratitude

to our merciful Savior. Moreover, St. Paul writes: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself (1 Cor. 11:27-29)." An order of self-examination is located on pages 329-330 of your hymnal.

To ensure that all who participate in this sacrament receive this sacred gift as the blessing it is intended to be and not to their condemnation, this congregation, with Christian love and in accordance with Holy Scripture, practices closed communion with those who have been instructed and share our public profession of the Christian faith in all its articles. We therefore ask our guests who wish to commune to speak with the Pastor before the service.

We provide both the common cup and individual cups. The individual cups in the center of tray are alcohol free for those with medical requirements that prevent them from receiving alcohol. Wine, however, is the preferred means to receive the blood of Christ, if and when possible, since wine is what Jesus used to institute this sacrament. Likewise, we use unleavened bread, as our Lord did. Gluten-free hosts are also available for those with medical needs. Please alert the Pastor or an Elder of any needs.

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Serving Today

than Christensen		Robert Hamrick, Organist
& Bea Luecke	Craig Escude, Choir Director/Cantor	
	8:00 AM	<u>10:45 AM</u>
Elders	Rick Sanborn	David Maloney
Lectors Ushers	Rick Sanborn	David White
Greeter	Jackie Fry	Nona Schmook
Altar Guild	Rose Steen	Debbie Leger
		Michele Escude`
		Debby Zagone
	Serving Next Week	
	8:00 AM	<u>10:45 AM</u>
Lectors	Lyn Heiple	John Zagone
Ushers		
Greeter	Jackie Fry	Nona Schmook
	Lectors Ushers Greeter Altar Guild Lectors Ushers	& Bea Luecke 8:00 AM Rick Sanborn Lectors Ushers Greeter Altar Guild Serving Next Week 8:00 AM Lectors Lyn Heiple Ushers

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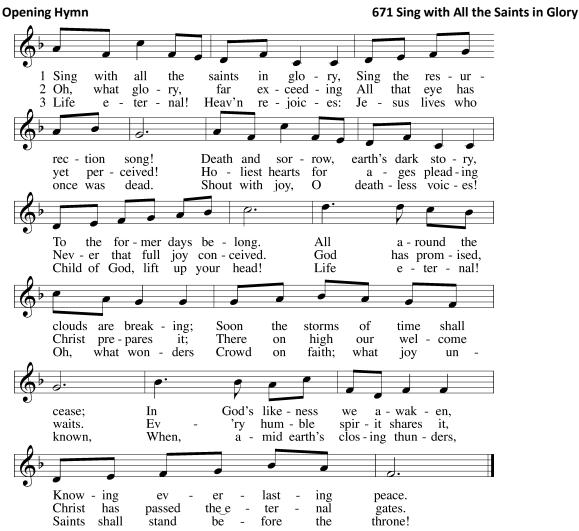
The Divine Service: Setting One

Prelude

Heavenly Hosts in Ceaseless Worship Sing with All the Saints in Glory

Amanda Husberg Walter L. Pelz

Stand



Confession and Absolution

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

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

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

Kneel/Sit

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

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- 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.

Service of the Word

Stand

Introit

Psalm 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:14b Tone H



These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the Lamb.

In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to shame;*

in your righteousness de- | liver me.

For you are my rock and my | fortress;*

and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.

Into your hand I commit my | spirit;*

you have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

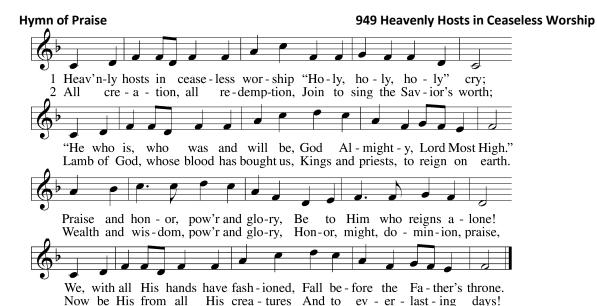
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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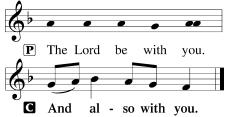
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Kyrie LSB 152





Salutation and Collect of the Day



Let us pray... Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

First Reading

Revelation 7:2-4, 9–17

²Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, ³saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." ⁴And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel...

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm ¹Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a | new song,* his praise in the assembly of the | godly! ²Let Israel be glad in his | Maker;* let the children of Zion rejoice | in their King! ³Let them praise his name with | dancing,* making melody to him with tambou- | rine and lyre! ⁴For the LORD takes pleasure in his | people;* he adorns the humble with sal- | vation. ⁵Let the godly exult in | glory;* let them sing for joy on their beds. ⁶Let the high praises of God be | in their throats* and two-edged swords | in their hands, 7to execute vengeance on the | nations* and punishments on the | peoples, 8to bind their | kings with chains* and their nobles with fet- | ters of iron, ⁹to execute on them the judgment | written!* This is honor for all his godly ones. | Praise the LORD! Psalm 149; antiphon: v. 4 Tone H

Epistle 1 John 3:1–3

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

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- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel Matthew 5:1–12



¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: ³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. ⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. 6"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. 7"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. 8"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. 9"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. ¹0"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."



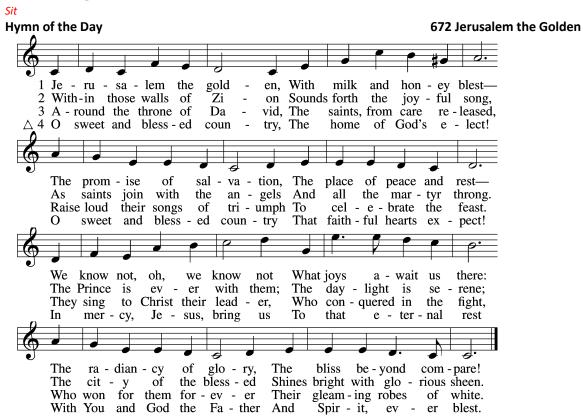
Nicene Creed

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 will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.



Remembrance of the Faithful Departed

In the First Reading for today, we heard the Apostle John testify in the book of Revelation:

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

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In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life eternal, we remember before the Lord our departed family and friends who have gone before us in faith and all those who are in our hearts and minds this day.

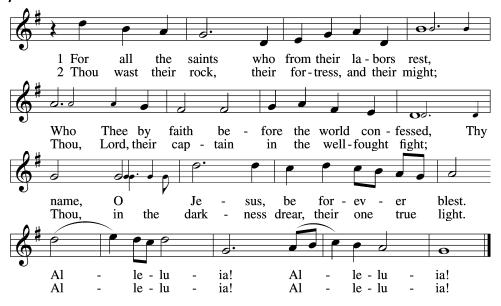
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Let us pray... Almighty God, we remember with thanksgiving those who loved and served You in Your Church on earth and who now rest from their labors. We praise You for the lives of those members of this congregation whom You have called to their heavenly rest, especially those who have departed this life during the past year. We ask You to give us your grace that we, also, may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The names of those who are to be remembered will be read. A bell is tolled following the reading of each name.

Hymn 677 For All the Saints



Leora (Lee) Marquardt

December 31, 1936

→ November 26, 2022

- Jesus said,] "My Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life,
- and I will raise him up at the last day." (John 6:40)

Sally Hardy

October 9, 1934

→ December 3, 2022

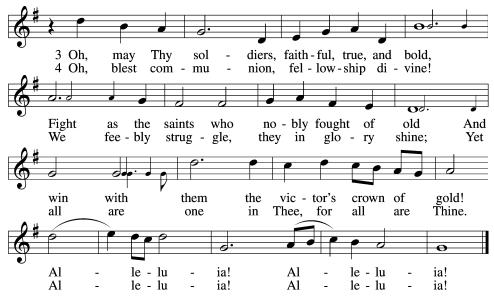
- [Jesus said,] "I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned;
- he has crossed over from death to life." (John 5:24)

Harold Zell

March 20, 1931

→ December 7, 2022

- P "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.
- He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." (Revelation 21:3-4)



Donald Steen

August 11, 1937

→ December 13, 2022

- P [Jesus said,] "Whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst.
- Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

 (John 4:14)

Elizabeth Ann Cheadle

November 17, 1933

→ December 23, 2022

- P [Jesus said,] "I am the light of the world.
- Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

George Fuchs

December 14, 1941

→ December 24, 2022

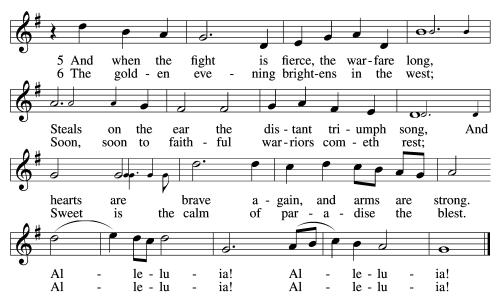
- P [Jesus said,] "I am the way, and the truth, and the life.
- No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

Helga Feige

November 27, 1938

→ January 1, 2023

- P [Jesus said,] "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.
- I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand." (John 10:27-28)



Faith Anderson

- "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,
- That whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

Judy Fuchs

October 3, 1942

⅓ July 6, 2023

- P For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
- And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God. (Job 19:25-26)

Louise Bauer

March 2, 1927

- [Jesus said,] "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live,
- and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die." (John 11:25-26)

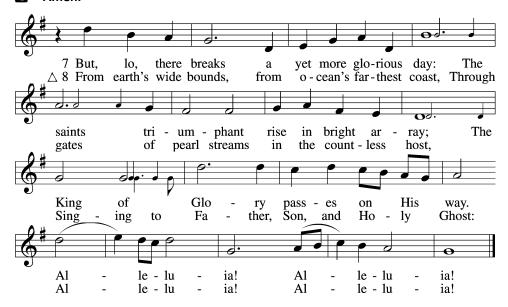
Hardy Feige

December 22, 1934

→ October 28, 2023

- P For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord.
- So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. (Romans 14:7-8)

- Merciful Father, whose dear Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, rose victoriously over death and the grave, we remember with thanksgiving Your faithful people who have trusted in Christ, whose tears are gone, and whose sorrows You have turned to joy. We humbly implore You to strengthen us in the confident hope of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.
- C Amen.



Prayer of the Church

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For deliverance from all that harms the body and assaults the soul; and for trust to commend ourselves and all things into the hand of our faithful God, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For the ministers of the Church, that by their preaching the Spirit would gather the lost, kindle faith in those who do not yet believe and sustain us all to the day of Christ's coming, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all Christian homes, that they may be places where faith is nurtured and where we may learn to live our new lives in holiness and righteousness, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the persecuted who suffer for the sake of Christ, that God would call all to righteousness by their witness; and for the nations, that God would establish His peace, make our leaders wise and honorable, and deliver us from violence and oppression, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- For all who call on our heavenly Father in need, that God would comfort them with His abiding presence, grant them patience in the midst of suffering and, according to His will, release them from their afflictions, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For the Church and all her members, gathered at the bidding of the Lamb, our Shepherd, that we may have ears to hear His Word and faith to receive Him in His blessed Sacrament, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- In thanksgiving for the faithful who have gone before us with the sign of faith and now rest from their labors, that we may be brought with them to everlasting life, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Almighty Father, we give You thanks that You have washed us in the blood of the Lamb, written our names in the Book of Life, and made us a royal priesthood and heirs of an eternal inheritance. Though we are unworthy of Your saving grace, we pray You to hear us in the name of Jesus Christ, in whom, with whom and through whom all honor and glory is Yours, heavenly Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Sit

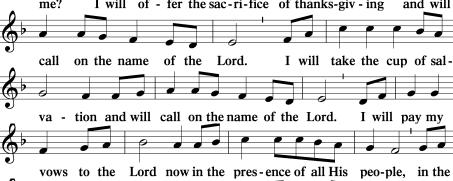
Offertory

Offering 8:30 Duet The Borning Cry
10:45 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence Austin Lovelace
Stand

LSB 159

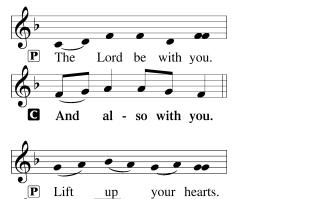
What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to

me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will

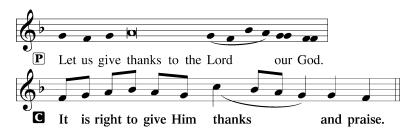


courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.

Preface LSB 160

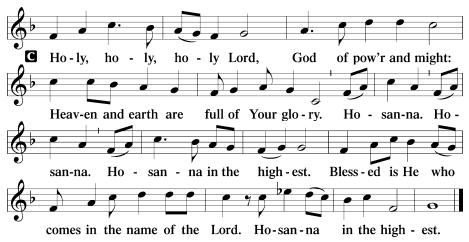


• We lift them to the Lord.



P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. In the communion of all Your saints gathered into the one body of Your Son, You have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, encouraged by their faith and strengthened by their fellowship, may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 161



Prayer of Thanksgiving LSB 161

P 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 ⅓ 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."

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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

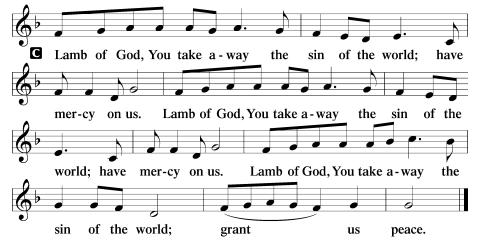
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Pax Domini LSB 163

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

A - men.





Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

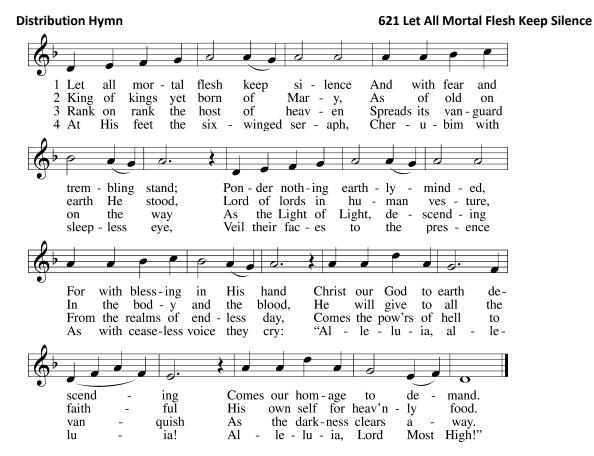
Amen.

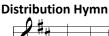
Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

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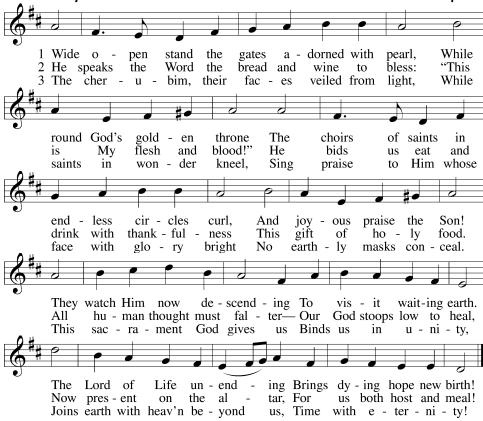
- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart → in peace.
- C Amen.



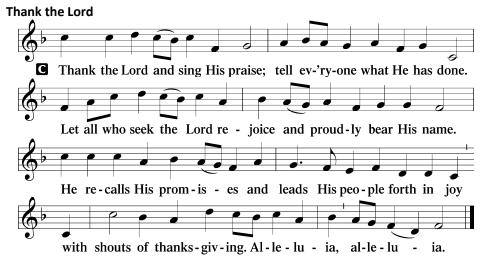


639 Wide Open Stand the Gates

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Stand



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction LSB 166

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 H give you peace.



