## **Confession and Absolution**

#### 443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

- Hosanna, loud hosanna,
   The little children sang;

   Through pillared court and temple
   The lovely anthem rang.

   To Jesus, who had blessed them,
   Close folded to His breast,

   The children sang their praises,
   The simplest and the best.
- 2 From Olivet they followed Mid an exultant crowd, The victor palm branch waving And chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven Rode on in lowly state Nor scorned that little children Should on His bidding wait.

3 "Hosanna in the highest!"
That ancient song we sing;
For Christ is our Redeemer,
The Lord of heav'n our King.
Oh, may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice!

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#### Stand

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.
- **G** Amen.
- P 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/Stand

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

## Introit Psalm 24:7–10; antiphon: Psalm 118:26

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

# Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

# Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

### Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Kyrie LSB 168

- **A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

## **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; 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

<sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup> I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup> As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

- <sup>12</sup> Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.
- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** Philippians 2:5–11

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

## Alleluia and Verse (Lent)

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Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.

Mark 15:1-47 **Holy Gospel** 

- The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifteenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole Council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate. <sup>2</sup>And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so." <sup>3</sup>And the chief priests accused him of many things. <sup>4</sup>And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you." 5But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed.

<sup>6</sup>Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. <sup>7</sup>And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas. <sup>8</sup>And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he usually did for them. <sup>9</sup>And he answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" <sup>10</sup>For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. <sup>11</sup>But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. <sup>12</sup>And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" <sup>13</sup>And they cried out again, "Crucify him." <sup>14</sup>And Pilate said to them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him." <sup>15</sup>So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

<sup>16</sup>And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. <sup>17</sup>And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. <sup>18</sup>And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" <sup>19</sup>And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. <sup>20</sup>And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.

<sup>21</sup>And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. <sup>22</sup>And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). <sup>23</sup>And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. <sup>24</sup>And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. <sup>25</sup>And it was the third hour when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup>And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." <sup>27</sup>And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>29</sup>And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, <sup>30</sup>save yourself, and come down from the cross!" <sup>31</sup>So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. <sup>32</sup>Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

<sup>33</sup>And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. <sup>34</sup>And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, Iema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>35</sup>And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Elijah." <sup>36</sup>And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, Iet us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." <sup>37</sup>And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup>And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. <sup>39</sup>And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

<sup>40</sup>There were also women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. <sup>41</sup>When he was in Galilee, they followed him and ministered to him, and there were also many other women who came up with him to Jerusalem.

<sup>42</sup>And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, <sup>43</sup>Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the Council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>44</sup>Pilate was surprised to hear that he should have already died. And summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. <sup>45</sup>And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the corpse to Joseph. <sup>46</sup>And Joseph bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud and laid him in a tomb that had

been cut out of the rock. And he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. <sup>47</sup>Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid.

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

Sit

## 442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ref All glory, laud, and honor
To You, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.

- You are the King of Israel
   And David's royal Son,
   Now in the Lord's name coming,
   Our King and Blessèd One. Refrain
- 2 The company of angels Is praising You on high, And we with all creation In chorus make reply. *Refrain*

- The multitude of pilgrims
   With palms before You went;
   Our praise and prayer and anthems
   Before You we present. *Refrain*
- 4 To You before Your passion
  They sang their hymns of praise;
  To You, now high exalted,
  Our melody we raise. *Refrain*
- As You received their praises,
   Accept the prayers we bring,
   O Source of ev'ry blessing,
   Our good and gracious King. Refrain

#### Sermon

Stand

#### 685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

- Let us ever walk with Jesus,
  Follow His example pure,
  Through a world that would deceive us
  And to sin our spirits lure.
  Onward in His footsteps treading,
  Pilgrims here, our home above,
  Full of faith and hope and love,
  Let us do the Father's bidding.
  Faithful Lord, with me abide;
  I shall follow where You guide.
- 2 Let us suffer here with Jesus
  And with patience bear our cross.
  Joy will follow all our sadness;
  Where He is, there is no loss.
  Though today we sow no laughter,
  We shall reap celestial joy;
  All discomforts that annoy
  Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
  Jesus, here I share Your woe;
  Help me there Your joy to know.
- 3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.
  Since by death He conquered death,
  He will free us from destruction,
  Give to us immortal breath.
  Let us mortify all passion
  That would lead us into sin;
  And the grave that shuts us in
  Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
  Jesus, here with You I die,
  There to live with You on high.
- 4 Let us also live with Jesus.
  He has risen from the dead
  That to life we may awaken.
  Jesus, You are now our head.
  We are Your own living members;
  Where You live, there we shall be
  In Your presence constantly,
  Living there with You forever.
  Jesus, let me faithful be,
  Life eternal grant to me.

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Confirmation LSB 272

## **Prayer of the Church**

Sit

## Offering to be placed in the plates near the entrances to the sanctuary

Stand

Offertory LSB 176

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

#### Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 177

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- 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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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 178

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

LSB 178

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.

Amen.

## **Lord's Prayer**

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven.....Amen.

#### The Words of Our Lord

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 Holood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 180

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB 180

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Sit

#### 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.

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:* 

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

## 867 Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds

- Let children hear the mighty deeds
   Which God performed of old,
   Which in our younger days we saw,
   And which our parents told.
- 2 So make to them His glories known, His works of pow'r and grace; And we'll convey His wonders down Through ev'ry rising race.
- Our sons and daughters we shall tell
   And they again to theirs
   That generations yet unborn
   May teach them to their heirs.

## 444 No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

- No tramp of soldiers' marching feet
   With banners and with drums,
   No sound of music's martial beat:
   "The King of glory comes!"
   To greet what pomp of kingly pride
   No bells in triumph ring,
   No city gates swing open wide:
   "Behold, behold your King!"
- And yet He comes. The children cheer;
   With palms His path is strown.
   With ev'ry step the cross draws near:
   The King of glory's throne.
   Astride a colt He passes by
   As loud hosannas ring,
   Or else the very stones would cry
   "Behold, behold your King!"

### 437 Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

- Alas! And did my Savior bleed,And did my sov'reign die?Would He devote that sacred headFor such a worm as I?
- Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree? Amazing pity, grace unknown, And love beyond degree!
- Well might the sun in darkness hide And shut his glories in When God, the mighty maker, died For His own creatures' sin.

- 4 O teach them with all diligence The truths of God's own Word, To place in Him their confidence, To fear and trust their Lord,
- To learn that in our God alone
   Their hope securely stands,
   That they may never doubt His love
   But walk in His commands.

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- What fading flow'rs His road adorn; The palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but only thorn The King of glory's crown. The soldiers mock, the rabble cries, The streets with tumult ring, As Pilate to the mob replies, "Behold, behold your King!"
- 4 Now He who bore for mortals' sake The cross and all its pains And chose a servant's form to take, The King of glory reigns. Hosanna to the Savior's name Till heaven's rafters ring, And all the ransomed host proclaim "Behold, behold your King!"

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- 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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Nunc Dimittis LSB 182

Your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the salvation
which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:
A light to reveal You to the nations
and the glory of Your people Israel.
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.

#### **Post-Communion Collect**

A Let us pray. ...... reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction LSB 183

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.

C Amen.

## 438 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

- A Lamb goes uncomplaining forth, The guilt of sinners bearing And, laden with the sins of earth, None else the burden sharing; Goes patient on, grows weak and faint, To slaughter led without complaint, That spotless life to offer, He bears the stripes, the wounds, the lies, The mockery, and yet replies, "All this I gladly suffer."
- This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend,
   The Lamb of God, our Savior,
   Whom God the Father chose to send
   To gain for us His favor.
   "Go forth, My Son," the Father said,
   "And free My children from their dread
   Of guilt and condemnation.
   The wrath and stripes are hard to bear,
   But by Your passion they will share
   The fruit of Your salvation."
- "Yes, Father, yes, most willingly
  I'll bear what You command Me.
  My will conforms to Your decree,
  I'll do what You have asked Me."
  O wondrous Love, what have You done!
  The Father offers up His Son,
  Desiring our salvation.
  O Love, how strong You are to save!
  You lay the One into the grave
  Who built the earth's foundation.
- And taste Your glory I shall see
  And taste Your kingdom's pleasure,
  Your blood my royal robe shall be,
  My joy beyond all measure!
  When I appear before Your throne,
  Your righteousness shall be my crown;
  With these I need not hide me.
  And there, in garments richly wrought,
  As Your own bride shall we be brought
  To stand in joy beside You.

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