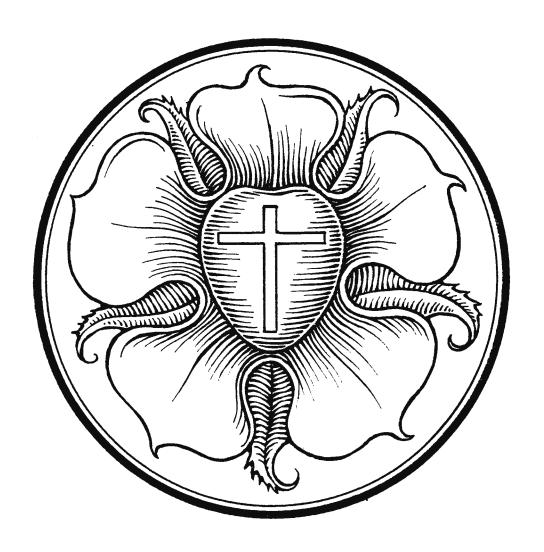
# The Festival of the Reformation Sunday, October 29, 2023



Warm greetings to you, dear worshipper, in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May the blessings of His presence and His peace be with you throughout this week.

Guests: If you are a guest worshiping with us today, we are honored to have you join us in receiving the rich blessings that our Lord supplies to us through the gift of His holy Word. We invite you to return and worship with us again as the opportunity arises.





Children: Parents and their children are welcome to sit in the front of the & church so that the children can see and hear the service clearly. The Family Room in the Narthex may be used by anyone who prefers or little children needs a more private setting.

**Prayer Requests:** If you have an intercession to add to our weekly prayers at church or to our daily Prayer Chain, please contact the Church Office or fill out one of the prayer request cards located in your pew and place it in the offering collection box.





**Publications:** We invite you to read our Trinity Weekly News and visit our bulletin boards for info about church activities. Publications including our monthly newsletter are available from the information stand in the Narthex and at various locations in the hallway.

Accessibility: A lift (slow-moving elevator) is located just outside the sanctuary overflow area for those who prefer not to take the stairs to the lower level. Ushers and many church members can assist with the operation of the lift.



**Audio Assistance:** We provide hearing-assist and closed captioning devices for the hearing impaired. If you would like to try these devices to see if they will enhance your worship experience, they are located in the Narthex. Digital recordings of the weekly service are available online.

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# Serving in God's House Today:

Liturgist: Rev. Brian Thieme Preacher: Rev. Joseph McCalley

Elders: (8:00) John Frerking | (10:30) Benjamin Asbeck

Ushers: (8:00) Kyle Dickes & Hunter Kevil | (10:30) Kevin & Ethan Mott

Organist: Matthew Frerking Handbell Director: Kimberly Walker Chris Kespohl Choir Director:

Trumpets: Chris Farris & Bill Strozier

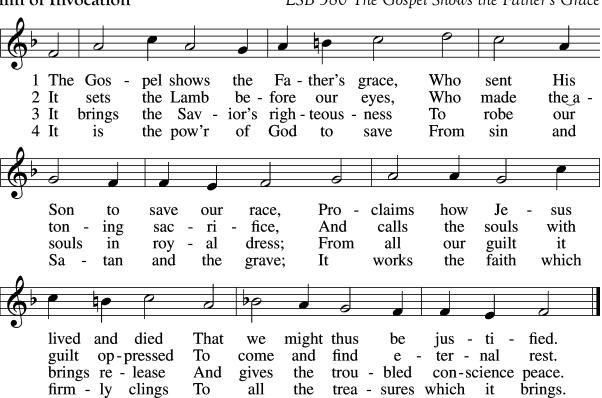
Joanna Griffith & Todd Yatsook Trombones:

Altar Guild: Mary Riggert

# Order of Service: Divine Service IV - LSB 203

Bells' Call to Worship Word of Welcome Handbell Prelude Hymn of Invocation

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" LSB 580 The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace



- 5 It bears to all the tidings glad And bids their hearts no more be sad; The weary, burdened souls it cheers And banishes their guilty fears.
- 6 May we in faith its message learn Nor thanklessly its blessings spurn; May we in faith its truth confess And praise the Lord, our righteousness.

# Confession and Absolution

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.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.

- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ 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.
- 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.
- C Amen.

# Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46

- I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,] and shall not be put to shame.
- C I will bless the LORD at all times;

his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

- My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- Come, O children, listen to me;

I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

- The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.
- **C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son

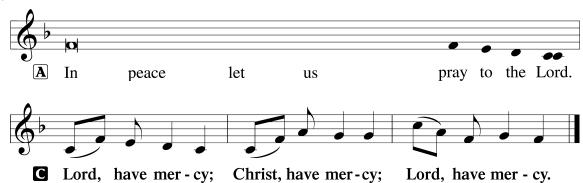
and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,] and shall not be put to shame.

# Kyrie



**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P 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.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



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# Salutation and Collect of the Day

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- **P** Let us pray.

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Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Choir "Amazing Grace"

First Reading Revelation 14:6–7

<sup>6</sup>Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup>And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

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

**Gradual** Psalm 48:1a, 12–14a

- P Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised
- **C** in the city of our God!
- **P** Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,
- consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,
- **P** that you may tell the next generation
- that this is God, our God forever and ever.

Epistle Romans 3:19–28

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—<sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup>It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

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

Stand

#### Men's Chorus

"God's Word Is Our Great Heritage"

Holy Gospel Matthew 11:12–19

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eleventh chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>12</sup>[Jesus said:] "From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. <sup>13</sup>For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, <sup>14</sup>and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. <sup>15</sup>He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

<sup>16</sup>"But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates,

<sup>17</sup>"'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.'

<sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' <sup>19</sup>The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds."

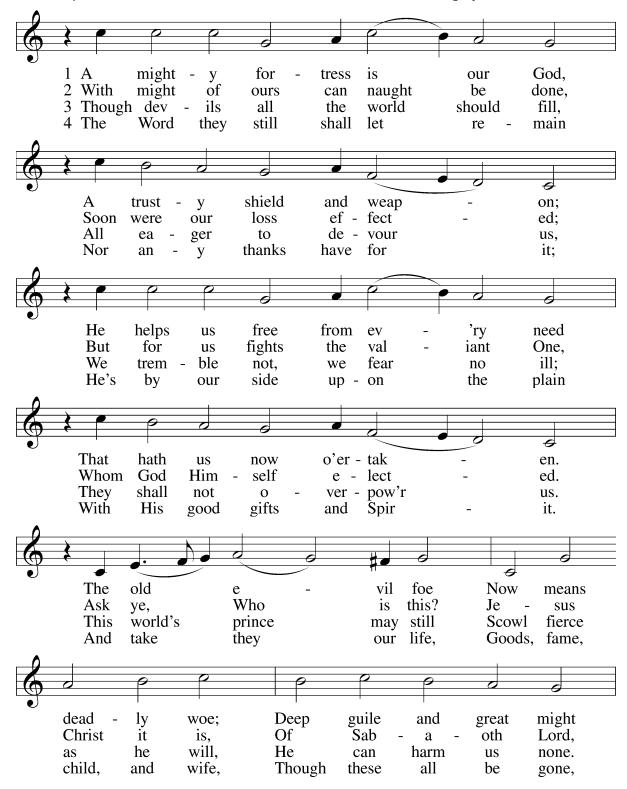
- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

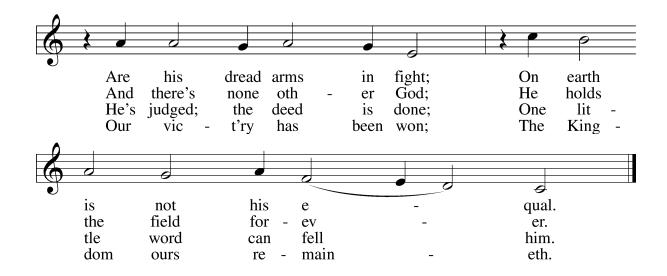
#### Nicene Creed

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.





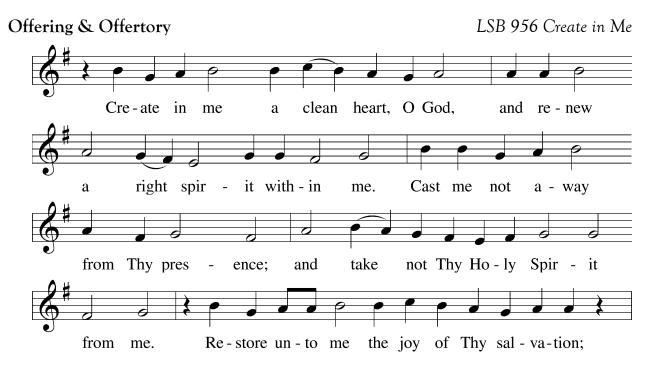
#### Sermon

# Rite of Confirmation (8:00)

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Stand

# Prayer of the Church





# Service of the Sacrament

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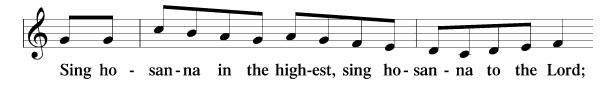
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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 208

C Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;

Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.





# Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

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.

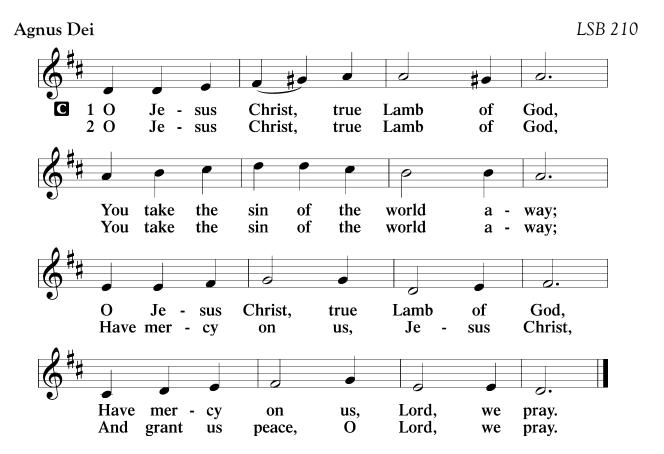
### The Words of Our Lord

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

# Pax Domini

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

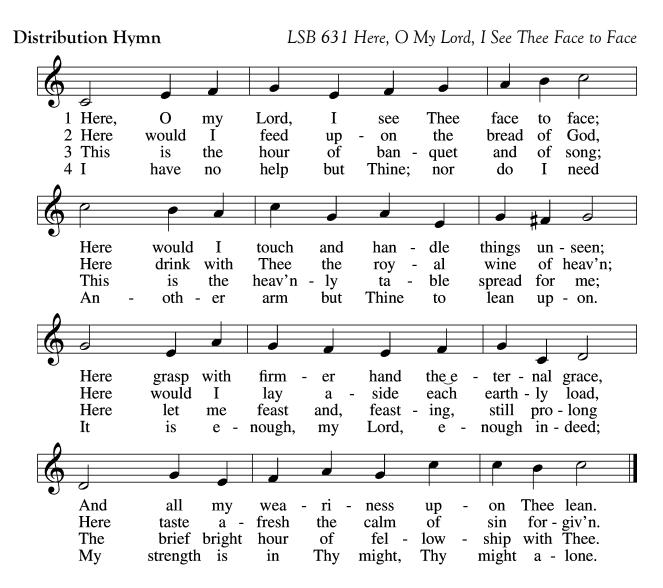


#### Distribution

#### LSB 578 Thy Strong Word Distribution Hymn 1 Thy Thy word did cleave dark - ness; At strong the 2 Lo, those who dwelt dark - ness, Dark on in as Word be - speaks righ - teous; Bright with 3 Thy strong us 4 From the cross Thy wis dom shin - ing Break - eth For speak - ing it done. ed was cre at night and death, **Broke** the light of deep as Thine own ho li ness, Glo rious now, we forth in con - qu'ring might; From the for cross light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run. va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath. sal press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con-fess. beam - eth All ev - er Thy bright re - deem - ing light. lu - ia, - le Al - le lu - ia! Praise al to Al - le lu - ia, le lu -Praise al ia! to lu - ia, Al - le lu al le ia! Praise to Al - le lu - ia, al le lu ia! Praise to $\mathbf{O}$ Thee who light dost Al le send! lu - ia, light Thee lu - ia, who dost send! le Al -Thee who light dost send! Al le lu - ia, Thee who light dost send! Al le lu - ia, lu - ia! Al le lu - ia with - out end! al - le al - le lu ia! Al end! le lu ia with - out \_ al - le lu ia! Al le lu - ia with - out end! al - le lu ia! Al le lu ia with - out end!

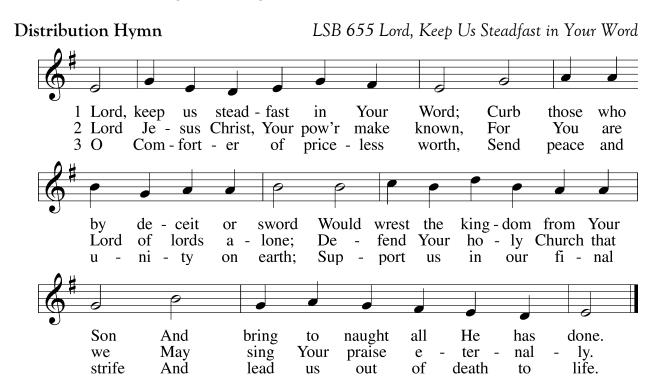
Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
 Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
 Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
 Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 May the light which Thou dost send
 Fill our songs with alleluias,
 Alleluias without end!

△ 6 God the Father, light-creator,
 To Thee laud and honor be.
 To Thee, Light of Light begotten,
 Praise be sung eternally.
 Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
 Glory, glory be to Thee.
 Mortals, angels, now and ever
 Praise the holy Trinity!



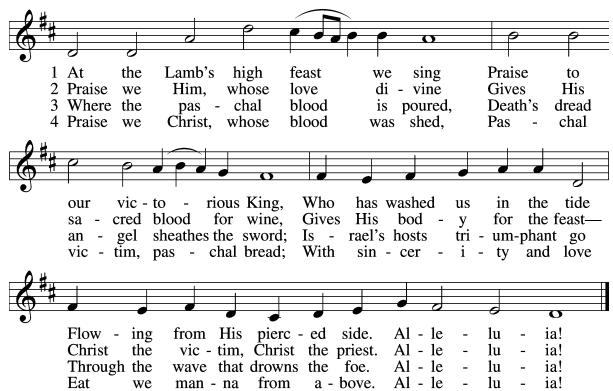
Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:
Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.

- Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;
  The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
  The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;
  Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.
- Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
   Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
   Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
   The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.





LSB 633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



- Mighty Victim from the sky,
  Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
  You have conquered in the fight,
  You have brought us life and light.
  Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
  This alone can sin destroy;
  From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
  Newborn souls in You to be.
  Alleluia!
- △ 8 Father, who the crown shall give,
  Savior, by whose death we live,
  Spirit, guide through all our days:
  Three in One, Your name we praise.
  Alleluia!

Stand

#### Dismissal

- 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.

Nunc Dimittis LSB 211



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

# **P** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 212

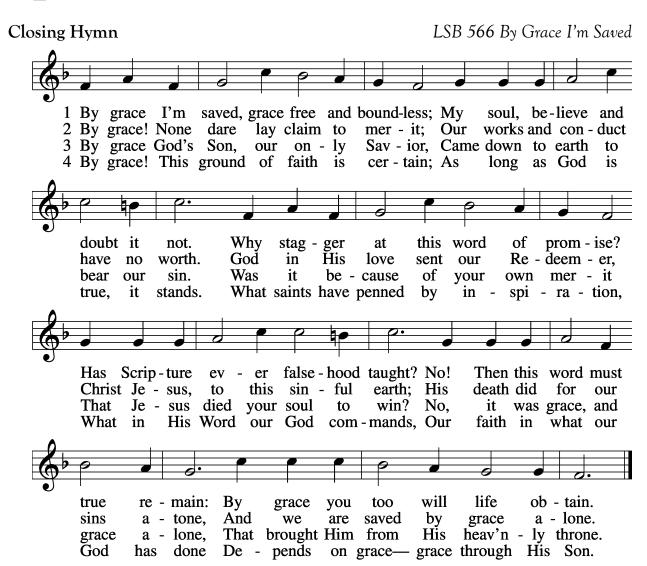
- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Benediction

- 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 \(\frac{1}{2}\) give you peace.
- C Amen.



- 5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
  In tribulation's furnace tried,
  By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
  The Father's heart is open wide.
  Where could I help and strength secure
  If grace were not my anchor sure?
- 6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
  In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
  For though I know my heart's condition,
  I also know my Savior's voice.
  My heart is glad, all grief has flown
  Since I am saved by grace alone.

# Organ Postlude

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