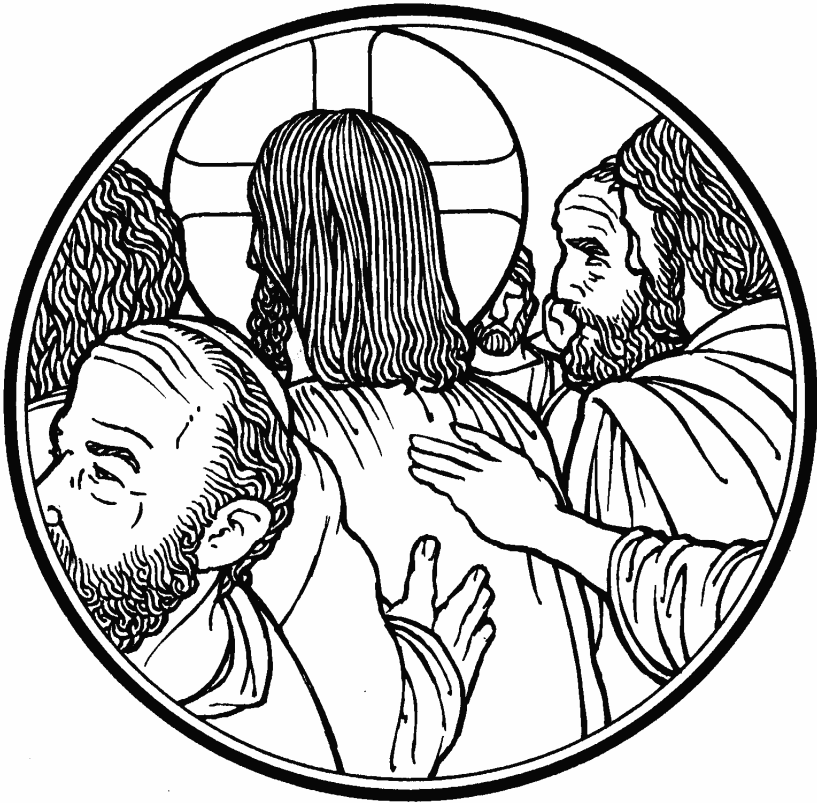


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WELCOME:

INVOCATION:

- L** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

OPENING HYMN:

Tune: LHS 392

- 1** How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- 2** “Fear not! I am with you, O be not dismayed,
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I’ll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
- 3** “The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose
I will not, I will not, desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake,
I’ll never, no never, no never, forsake!
- 4** “When through fiery trials your pathway will lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, will be your supply.
The flames will not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.
- 5** “Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove
My sov’ reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And then, when grey hairs will their temples adorn,
Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne.”

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CONFESSION OF SINS:

The Lay Reader introduces our Confession of Sins.

- L** Friends in Christ, let us draw near to our Heavenly Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us our sins.
- L** Our help is in the name of the Lord.
C He made heaven and earth.
L I said, I will confess my sins to the Lord.
C Then he forgave the guilt of my sin.

L Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we confess to you that by nature we are sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you by thought, word, and action. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy and plead for your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us: Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins. By your Holy Spirit increase our knowledge of you and your will, and make us obedient to your Word, so that by your grace we may come to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF GRACE:

L Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in his name he has given the right to become the children of God, and has given them his Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptised will be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all. Amen.

INTROIT:

Psalm 132:13–16; antiphon: Psalm 34:8

C Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!
For the LORD has chosen Zion;
he has desired it for his dwelling place:
“This is my resting place forever;
here I will dwell, for I have desired it.
I will abundantly bless her provisions;
I will satisfy her poor with bread.
Her priests I will clothe with salvation,
and her saints will shout for joy.”
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.
Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

KYRIE - LORD, HAVE MERCY:

- L** Lord have mercy.
- C** Lord have mercy.
- L** Christ have mercy.
- C** Christ have mercy.
- L** Lord have mercy.
- C** Lord have mercy.

GREAT GLORIA: TOGETHER:

- L** Glory to God in the highest
- C** And on earth peace,
Among us with whom he is pleased.
We praise you, we bless you,
We worship you, we glorify you,
We give thanks to you for your great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly king,
God, the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ,
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father:
You take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.
You take away the sin of the world;
Receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of God the Father;
Have mercy on us.
For you alone are holy,
you alone are Lord,
You alone, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
Are most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

SALUTATION:

- L** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

COLLECT - PRAYER OF THE DAY:

C O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT:

Ezekiel 2:1–5

¹ He said to me, “Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you.” ²And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. ³And he said to me, “Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD.’ ⁵And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE:

2 Corinthians 12:1–10

¹I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ²I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. ³And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— ⁴and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰For

the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL RESPONSE:

Romans 11:33, 36

C Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

GOSPEL:

Mark 6:1–13

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, “Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴And Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honour, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household.” ⁵And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶And he marvelled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.

⁷And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— ⁹but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. ¹⁰And he said to them, “Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. ¹¹And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. ¹³And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED:

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY:

Tune: LHS 113

- 1** Submissive to Your will,
O Lord, with heart content,
I take whate'er of good or ill
Your gracious love has sent.
Though far beyond my sight,
Though hard and fraught with pain,
Thy ways are good, and always right,
And yield eternal gain.
- 2** Your gracious love alone
Rules all Your thoughts to me,
The love that spared not Your own Son
That I Your own might be;
There's naught that can condemn,
Or part me from that love,
For Christ has died, is risen again,
And pleads for me above.

- 3 Lord, hold me in Your arm,
You who art ever near;
No ill can hurt, nor death can harm
Your child, to You so dear.
O give me grace for grace,
Still keep me as Your own,
Till I shall see You face to face,
And know as I am known.**

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SERMON MEDITATION:

SERMON HYMN:

Tune: LHS 329

- 1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless;
My soul, believe and doubt it not.
Why stagger at this word of promise?
Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
No! Then this word must true remain:
By grace you too will life obtain.**
- 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to merit;
Our works and conduct have no worth.
God in His love sent our Redeemer,
Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth;
His death did for our sins atone,
And we are saved by grace alone.**
- 3 By grace God's Son, our only Savior,
Came down to earth to bear our sin.
Was it because of your own merit
That Jesus died your soul to win?
No, it was grace, and grace alone,
That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.**
- 4 By grace! This ground of faith is certain;
As long as God is true, it stands.
What saints have penned by inspiration,
What in His Word our God commands,
Our faith in what our God has done
Depends on grace—grace through His Son.**

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.

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OFFERTORY:

C What shall I give 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

L In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L To the Lord, blessed forever, Father of Christ, our strength and shield,
who hears the voice of our pleas for mercy and helps in every need, that
He would never cease to save His people and bless His heritage, let us
pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the ministers of the Word, that they may be devoted to their task and to prayer; and for many servants in God's Church, that neither the preaching nor the care of His people may fall into neglect, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L In thanksgiving for Christ, our righteousness, revealed in the sight of the nations, that He would strengthen the song of His Church; for musicians, poets and artists, that they may serve skilfully; and for the congregation of God in this and every place, that we may sing with boldness the eternally new song of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the home, that God would soften obdurate hearts, turning parents and children toward each other in love and patience; and that He would banish the spirit of impudence, stubbornness and rebellion from all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For our nation, that it may be defended against its enemies; for our leaders, that they may be preserved from temptation; and for the work of all civil authorities, that we may be enabled to live quiet and peaceable lives according to His Word, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those whose pain is chronic, whose suffering is unknown, who wrestle with difficult thorns in body or mind, or who are tempted to despair. May they know that in their weakness, they are strong for the sake of Christ, whose grace is sufficient for every need, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For all families of our Parish, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L And for courage in weakness, insults, hardships, persecutions and calamities to boast in Christ and His cross, by which we and our sufferings are sanctified, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For all who commune this day, that in repentance and faith they may taste and see that their Lord is good in the abundant blessing of Christ's true body and blood, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER:

C **Our Father in heaven,
Holy be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive
those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.
Amen.**

AARONIC BLESSING:

L The Lord Bless us and keep us.
The Lord make His face shine upon us and be gracious to us.
The Lord look with favour upon us and give us His peace.

C **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

MISSION HYMN:

Tune: LHS 332

1 **Thy works, not mine, O Christ,
Speak gladness to this heart;
They tell me all is done,
They bid my fear depart.**

Refrain:

ref **To whom save Thee,
Who canst alone
For sin atone,
Lord, shall I flee?**

2 Thy wounds, not mine, O Christ,
Can heal my bruised soul;
Thy stripes, not mine, contain
The balm that makes me whole. *Refrain:*

*ref To whom save Thee,
Who canst alone
For sin atone,
Lord, shall I flee?*

3 Thy cross, not mine, O Christ,
Has borne the crushing load
Of sins that none could bear
But the incarnate God. *Refrain:*

4 Thy death, not mine, O Christ,
Has paid the ransom due;
Ten thousand deaths like mine
Would have been all too few. *Refrain:*

5 Thy righteousness, O Christ,
Alone can cover me;
No righteousness avails
Save that which is of Thee. *Refrain:*

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