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### WELCOME:

### INVOCATION:

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

### OPENING HYMN:

*Tune: LHS 306*

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| <p><b>1</b> I heard the voice of Jesus say,<br/>“Come unto Me and rest;<br/>Lay down, thou weary one, lay<br/>down<br/>Thy head upon My breast.”<br/>I came to Jesus as I was,<br/>So weary, worn, and sad;<br/>I found in Him a resting place,<br/>And He has made me glad.</p> <p><b>2</b> I heard the voice of Jesus say,<br/>“Behold, I freely give<br/>The living water; thirsty one,<br/>Stoop down and drink and<br/>live.”<br/>I came to Jesus, and I drank<br/>Of that life-giving stream;<br/>My thirst was quenched,<br/>my soul revived,<br/>And now I live in Him.</p> | <p><b>3</b> I heard the voice of Jesus say,<br/>“I am this dark world’s light.<br/>Look unto Me; thy morn shall<br/>rise<br/>And all thy day be bright.”<br/>I looked to Jesus, and I found<br/>In Him my star, my sun;<br/>And in that light of life I’ll walk<br/>Till trav’ling days are done.</p> <p><small>Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–89, alt.<br/>Text: Public domain</small></p> |
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## 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 78:23–25; antiphon: v. 72*

- C** **With upright heart he shepherded them  
and guided them with his skilful hand.  
He commanded the skies above  
and opened the doors of heaven,  
and he rained down on them manna to eat  
and gave them the grain of heaven.  
Man ate of the bread of the angels;  
he sent them food in abundance.**

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.  
With upright heart he shepherded them  
and guided them with his skilful hand.

**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:**

- 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:

**I** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## COLLECT - PRAYER OF THE DAY:

**C** Merciful Father, You gave Your Son Jesus as the heavenly bread of life. Grant us faith to feast on Him in Your Word and Sacraments that we may be nourished unto life everlasting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## OLD TESTAMENT:

*Exodus 16:2–15*

<sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, <sup>3</sup>and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day’s portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.” <sup>6</sup>So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, “At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, <sup>7</sup>and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?” <sup>8</sup>And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD.”

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, ‘Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.’”

<sup>10</sup>And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, <sup>12</sup>“I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. <sup>14</sup>And when the dew had gone up, there was on

the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground.  
<sup>15</sup>When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE:**

*Ephesians 4:1–16*

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. <sup>7</sup>But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it says,

“When he ascended on high he led a host of captives,  
and he gave gifts to men.”

<sup>9</sup>(In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, <sup>14</sup>so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. <sup>15</sup>Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**ALLELUIA VERSE:***John 6:35b*

**C** Alleluia. I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. Alleluia.

**GOSPEL:***John 6:22–35*

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

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

<sup>22</sup>On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. <sup>23</sup>Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. <sup>24</sup>So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.” <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? <sup>31</sup>Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” <sup>32</sup>Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.”

<sup>34</sup>They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.”

**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  $\text{†}$  everlasting. Amen.

## HYMN OF THE DAY:

*Tune: LHS 347*

- 1 Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer,  
Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;  
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more;  
Feed me till I want no more.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,  
Be Thou still my strength and shield;  
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

- 3** When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death and hell's destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to Thee;  
I will ever give to Thee.

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### **SERMON MEDITATION:**

### **SERMON HYMN:**

*Tune: LHS 642*

- 1** O living Bread from heaven,  
How well You feed your guest!  
The gifts that You have given  
Have filled my heart with rest.  
Oh, wondrous food of blessing,  
Oh, cup that heals our woes!  
My heart, this gift possessing,  
With praises overflows.
- 2** My Lord, You here have led me  
To this most holy place  
And with Yourself have fed me  
The treasures of Your grace;  
For You have freely given  
What earth could never buy,  
The bread of life from heaven,  
That now I shall not die.
- 3** You gave me all I wanted;  
This food can death destroy.  
And You have freely granted  
The cup of endless joy.  
My Lord, I do not merit  
The favour You have shown,  
And all my soul and spirit  
Bow down before Your throne.



**4 Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened  
With heav'nly food, while here  
My course on earth is lengthened,  
To serve with holy fear.  
And when You call my spirit  
To leave this world below,  
I enter, through Your merit,  
Where joys unmingled flow.**

Text: Johann Rist, 1607–67; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

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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** For confidence in the Lord's provision, that we would trust in the promises of God and look to His hand to provide all we need for this life and for the life to come, let us pray to the Lord: People: Lord, have mercy.

**L** For all pastors, that God would remember all who speak His Word with compassion, giving them faithfulness and honesty in their teaching, so that His children would be freed from all deceit, speak His truth to one another in love, and grow up in every way into Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For true unity in the faith; for the preservation of pure doctrine; for harmony in our congregation, district and Synod; and for charitable hearts that put the best construction on what we see and hear, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For all Christians, that God would enable us to walk in humility, gentleness and patience, so that we would bear with one another in love and be eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For all who serve in public office, that God would keep them honest, fill them with wisdom and uphold them in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For the sick and hospitalized, and all those in need, that God would provide doctors and nurses and other medical professionals to care for those in need of health and healing, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** Lord, we come as a people tossed to and fro by the manifold changes of this mortal life. Help us to know, in You, that which is eternal. Give us confidence in the suffering and death of Christ, that we may rejoice that You are with us always and await His joyous appearing with all the saints; through the same Jesus Christ, 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 357*

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| <p><b>1</b> O God, my faithful God,<br/>True fountain ever flowing,<br/>Without whom nothing is,<br/>All perfect gifts bestowing:<br/>Give me a healthy frame,<br/>And may I have within<br/>A conscience free from blame,<br/>A soul unstained by sin.</p>    | <p><b>3</b> Keep me from saying words<br/>That later need recalling;<br/>Guard me lest idle speech<br/>May from my lips be falling;<br/>But when within my place<br/>I must and ought to speak,<br/>Then to my words give grace<br/>Lest I offend the weak.</p>              |
| <p><b>2</b> Grant me the strength to do<br/>With ready heart and willing<br/>Whatever You command,<br/>My calling here fulfilling;<br/>That I do what I should<br/>While trusting You to bless<br/>The outcome for my good,<br/>For You must give success.</p> | <p><b>4</b> Lord, let me win my foes<br/>With kindly words and actions,<br/>And let me find good friends<br/>For counsel and correction.<br/>Help me, as You have taught,<br/>To love both great and small<br/>And by Your Spirit's might<br/>To live in peace with all.</p> |

**5 Let me depart this life  
Confiding in my Savior;  
By grace receive my soul  
That it may live forever;  
And let my body have  
A quiet resting place  
Within a Christian grave;  
And let it sleep in peace.**

**6 And on that final day  
When all the dead are waking,  
Stretch out Your mighty hand,  
My deathly slumber breaking.  
Then let me hear Your voice,  
Redeem this earthly frame,  
And bid me to rejoice  
With those who love Your  
name.**

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