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## **FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS**

*December 27, 2020*

Christ's blessings to all! **To our visitors**, we rejoice to have you gathered together with us in our Lord's House this day & look forward to having you with us again. If you are searching for a Church home, **please introduce yourself to Pastor** or indicate such **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' in each pew.

**(Bold – Congregation speaks**

**Bold Italic – Congregation sings or chants**

**Hymns in folder)**

### **THE ORDER OF MATINS**

**Prelude**

**Hymn of Invocation #136**

*"Angels from the Realms of Glory"*

**Versicles & Responses** *(stand)*

O Lord, open Thou my lips.

***And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.***

Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

***Make haste to help me, O Lord.***

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;***

***As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen***  
***Hallelujah!***

## The Invitatory

Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:

***For He is our Maker.***

## The Venite – pg. 33

***Oh, come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.***

***Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving: and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.***

***For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.***

***In His hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of hills is His also.***

***The sea is His, and He made it: and His hands formed the dry land.***

***Oh, come let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.***

***For He is our God: and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.***

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;***

***As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen***

## Psalmody:

*Psalm 98*

Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things;

His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory.

**The LORD has made known His salvation;**

**His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.**

He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel;

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

**Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth;**

**Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises.**

Sing to the LORD with the harp,

With the harp and the sound of a psalm;

**With trumpets and the sound of a horn;**

**Shout joyfully before the LORD, the King.**

Let the sea roar, and all its fullness,

The world and those who dwell in it;

**Let the rivers clap their hands;**

**Let the hills be joyful together before the LORD,**

For He is coming to judge the earth, With righteousness He shall judge the world,

And the peoples with equity.

## **The Catechism Review – The Ten Commandments**

*What is The First Commandment?*

**You shall have no other gods.**

*What does this mean?*

**We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.**

*What is The Second Commandment?*

**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

*What does this mean?*

**We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.**

## **The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 61:10–62:3**

<sup>10</sup> I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;  
my soul shall exult in my God,  
for he has clothed me with the garments  
of salvation;  
he has covered me with the robe of  
righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself like a  
priest with a beautiful headdress,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her  
jewels.

<sup>11</sup> For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,  
and as a garden causes what is sown  
in it to sprout up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause  
righteousness and praise  
to sprout up before all the nations.

<sup>62:1</sup> For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be  
quiet,  
until her righteousness goes forth as  
brightness,  
and her salvation as a burning torch.

<sup>2</sup> The nations shall see your righteousness,  
and all the kings your glory,  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the LORD will give.

<sup>3</sup> You shall be a crown of beauty in the  
hand of the LORD,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of  
your God.

### **The Epistle: Galatians 4:4–7**

<sup>4</sup>When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

### **The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:22–40**

<sup>22</sup>When the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) <sup>24</sup>and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.” <sup>25</sup>Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. <sup>26</sup>And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. <sup>27</sup>And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, <sup>28</sup>he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

<sup>29</sup> “Lord, now you are letting your servant  
depart in peace,  
according to your word;  
<sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen your salvation  
<sup>31</sup> that you have prepared in the presence  
of all peoples,  
<sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles,  
and for glory to your people Israel.”

<sup>33</sup>And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. <sup>34</sup>And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed <sup>35</sup>(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

<sup>36</sup>And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, <sup>37</sup>and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem. <sup>39</sup>And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup>And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

***Thanks be to Thee, O Lord.***

**Sermon Hymn – #96**

“Oh, Rejoice, Ye Christians, Loudly”

**Sermon: ”Sing to the Lord a New Song”**

**Psalm 98:1-3**

- I. The new song is a song of Christ’s salvation.
- II. We sing the new song because of the Lord’s wonderful deeds.
  - A. He has worked salvation through Christ.
  - B. He has made known His salvation to the ends of the earth.

**Presentation of the Offerings**

**Hymn -- #79** *(in place of the Te Deum Laudamus)*

“Rejoice, Rejoice, This Happy Morn”

**The Prayers**

**The Kyrie:**

***Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.***

**The 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.**

**The Salutation**

The Lord be with you.

***And with thy spirit.***

**Special Petitions**

**Collect Of The Day**

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ***Amen.***

## The Collect for Grace

*Amen.*

## The Benedicamus

Bless we the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

## The Benediction

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.

*Amen.*

## Hymn – LSB # 392

“God Loves Me Dearly”

## Silent Prayer & Postlude

**+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +**

## DAILY READINGS

December 27: Is. 51:17–52:12; Matt. 2:1–12; 28: Is. 52:13–54:10; Matt. 2:13–23; 29: Is. 55:1–13; Luke 1:1–25; 30: Is. 58:1–59:3, 14–21; Luke 1:26–38; 31: Is. 60:1–22; Luke 1:39–56; January 1: Is. 61:1–11; Luke 1:57–80; 2: Is. 62:1–12; Luke 2:1–20.

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