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HOLY COMMUNION

TO OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS: We receive the Lord's Supper, believing the Word of Jesus, that He gives into our mouths His true body and blood, miraculously united to the bread and wine, to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins, and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His Word, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love one another, even as He forgives and loves us.

God's Word teaches us that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm, and that this Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed in this church. Therefore any who are not yet instructed, who are in doubt, or are members of a congregation not in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to commune, are asked to kindly speak with the pastor ahead of time. (*Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16-21; 11:17-34*)

The Order of the Holy Communion

Prelude

Hymn – #537

“Every Morning Mercies New”

Stand

Invocation

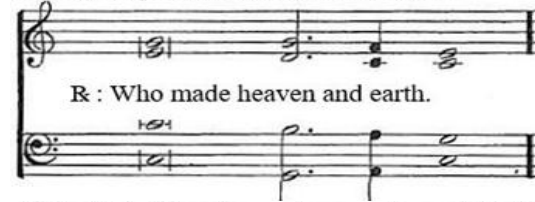
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.



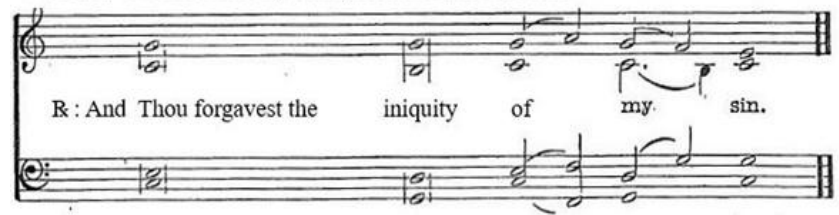
The Confession of Sins

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

V: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

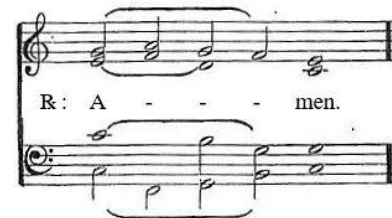


V: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord



O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.



Introit Psalm 50:7-10; antiphon: v. 1

*The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.*

**Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you.
I am God, your God.**

*Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;
your burnt offerings are continually before me.*

**I will not accept a bull from your house
or goats from your folds.**

*For every beast of the forest is mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.*

**The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

Gloria Patri

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

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

Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Gloria in Excelsis

Y: Glory be to God on high: B: And on earth peace, good will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up - on us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Salutation

V: The Lord be with you.

R: And with thy Spir - it.

Let us pray.

The Collect for The Day

Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

R: A - - - - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Hosea 5:15-6:6

- ^{5:15}I will return again to my place,
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face,
and in their distress earnestly seek me.
- ^{6:1}“Come, let us return to the LORD;
for he has torn us, that he may heal us;
he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.
- ²After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
- ³Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD;
his going out is sure as the dawn;
he will come to us as the showers,
as the spring rains that water the earth.”
- ⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?
What shall I do with you, O Judah?
Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes early away.
- ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;
I have slain them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.
- ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Epistle: Romans 4:13-25

¹³The promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith.

¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

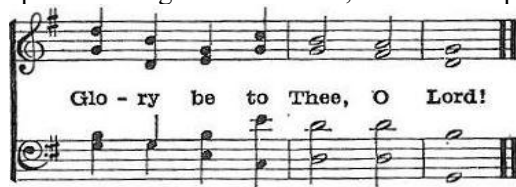
¹⁶That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.” ²³But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, ²⁵who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Stand



Holy Gospel Matthew 9:9-13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter.

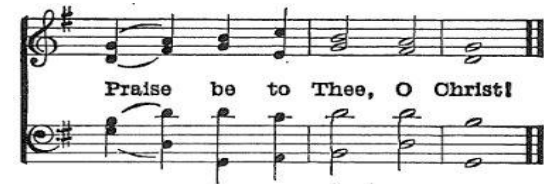


⁹As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him.

¹⁰And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹And

when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹²But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The 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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe 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 Hymn #385, v. 1-4, 10

“Now I have Found the Firm Foundation”

Sermon – “The Merciful One Desires Mercy”

Matthew 9:13

- I. The Lord desires us to show mercy to others.
- II. This is because He is merciful to us sinners.

Stand

The Offertory

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-tion; and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

Sit

The Offering

Stand

The General Prayer

The Preface

V: The Lord be with you.

R: And with thy spir-it.

V: Lift up your hearts.

R: We lift them up un-to the Lord.

V: Let us give thanks unto the lord our God.

R: It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

The Sanctus

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly, Lord God of Sab-a-oth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo-ry; Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He,

Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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;

B: For Thine is the king-dom and the power and the

glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini

V: The peace of the Lord be with you alway!

B: A - - - - men.

The Agnus Dei

O Ohrst, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the

world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Ohrst, Thou Lamb of God, that

tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O Ohrst, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the

world, grant us Thy peace. . . . A - - - - men.

Sit

Communion Distribution

Hymn #330 – “I Come to Thee, O Blessed Lord”

Hymn #279 – “Delay Not, Delay Not, O Sinner, Draw Near”

Hymn #342 – “Chief of Sinners Though I Be”

Stand

The Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now letteth Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-

cord-ing to Thy word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation:

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a Light to light - en the Gen-tiles and the Glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - - - - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the 'Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the be-

ginning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end.. A-men.

The Thanksgiving

V: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

R: And His mercy en - dur-eth for - ev - - - er.

We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

R: A - - - - men.

V: The Lord be with you.

R: And with thy spir - it.

V: Bless we the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

The Benediction

The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

R: A - men, A - men, A - men.

Sit

Closing Hymn #342 (7:00 p.m.)

“Chief of Sinners Though I Be”

Silent Prayer & Postlude

DAILY READINGS June 7: Prov. 4:1–27; John 12:1–19; **8:** Prov. 5:1–23; John 12:20–36a; **9:** Prov. 8:1–21; John 12:36b–50; **10:** Prov. 8:22–36; John 13:1–20; **11:** Prov. 9:1–18; John 13:21–38; **12:** Prov. 10:1–23; John 14:1–17; **13:** Prov. 13:1–25; John 14:18–31.

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