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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 Confessional Service with Holy Communion

Prelude

Hymn of Invocation: #409

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

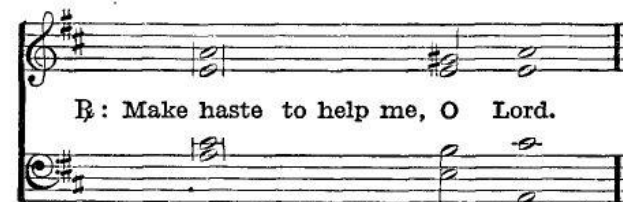
Stand

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

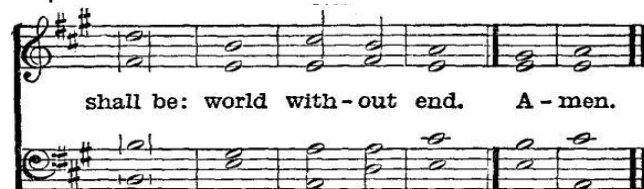
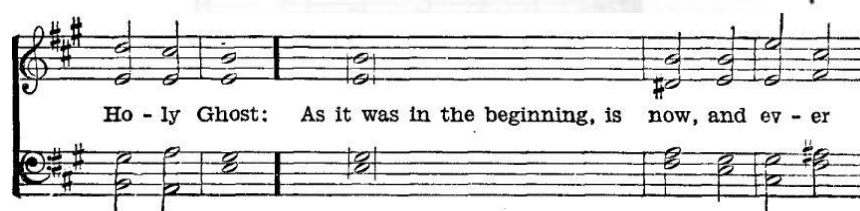
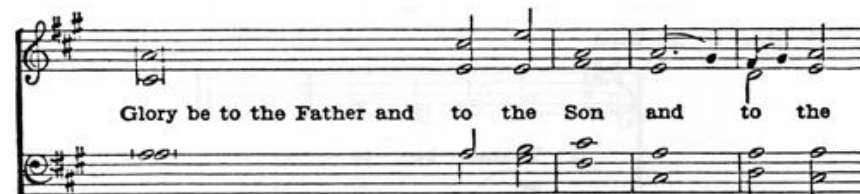
The Congregation shall say or chant:



℣: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



℣: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit.



Introit Psalm 37:5-7; antiphon: v. 4

Delight yourself in the LORD,

and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the LORD;

trust in him, and he will act.

He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,

and your justice as the noonday.

**Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man
who carries out evil devices!**

**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.**

*Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.*

The Confessional Address

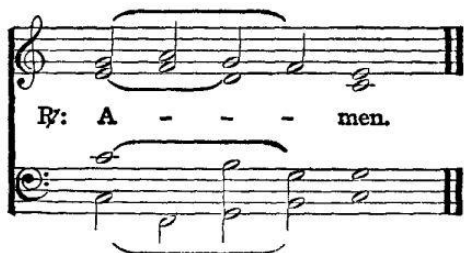
**O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess
unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended
Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I
am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray
Thee of Thy boundless mercy 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.**

I now ask you before God, Is this your sincere confession, that you
heartily repent of your sins, believe on Jesus Christ, and sincerely and
earnestly purpose, by the assistance of God the Holy Ghost, henceforth to
amend your sinful life? Then declare so by saying: Yes.

Yes

The Absolution:

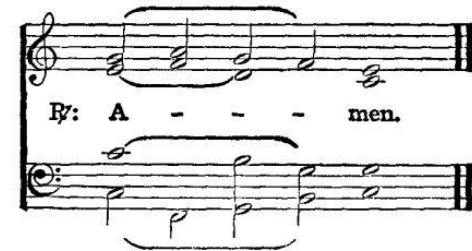
Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and
ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you,
and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you
all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.



The Collect for the Day:

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the
cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and
follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord,

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 15:15–21

¹⁵O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and take vengeance for me on my persecutors.

In your forbearance take me not away;
know that for your sake I bear reproach.

¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart,
for I am called by your name,
O LORD, God of hosts.

¹⁷I did not sit in the company of revelers,
nor did I rejoice;
I sat alone, because your hand was upon me,
for you had filled me with indignation.

¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?
Will you be to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail?

¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD:
“If you return, I will restore you,
and you shall stand before me.

If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,
you shall be as my mouth.

They shall turn to you,
but you shall not turn to them.

²⁰And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,

for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,
declares the LORD.

²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.”

Epistle Romans 12:9–21

⁹Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.

¹⁰Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.

¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” ²⁰To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Stand

Holy Gospel Matthew 16:21–28

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” ²³But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

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.

Sit

Hymn: #423

“Jesus, I My Cross have Taken”

Sermon – “The Son of Man Will Repay Each according to His Activity”

Matthew 16:26-27

- I. Two ways of human activity: one that seeks worldly gain, and one that seeks to follow Christ.
- II. The Son of Man will repay each person according to his activity.

Stand

The Offertory



Ore-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.

The musical score for 'The Offertory' is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of two staves each. The lyrics are: 'Ore-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.'

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The Offering:

Stand

The General Prayer:

The Preface:

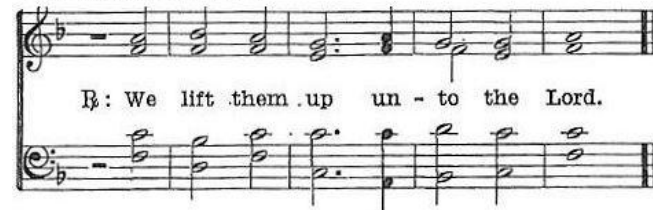
V: The Lord be with you.



R: And with thy spir-it.

The first system of the 'The Preface' musical score shows the response 'And with thy spir-it.' It is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat. The melody is simple and homophonic.

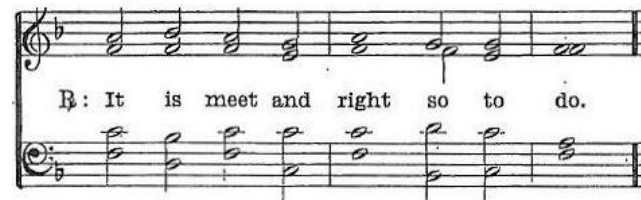
V: Lift up your hearts.



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

The second system of the 'The Preface' musical score shows the response 'We lift them up un-to the Lord.' It continues the simple, homophonic melody in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat.

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



R: It is meet and right so to do.

The third system of the 'The Preface' musical score shows the response 'It is meet and right so to do.' It concludes the preface with the same simple, homophonic melody in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat.

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: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting on Thy right hand poured out on this day the Holy Spirit, as He had promised, upon the chosen disciples; whereat the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore 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 musical score for 'The Sanctus' is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time and B-flat major. The lyrics are: '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;

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

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

The musical score for 'The Words of Institution' is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time and B-flat major. The lyrics are: 'R: 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."

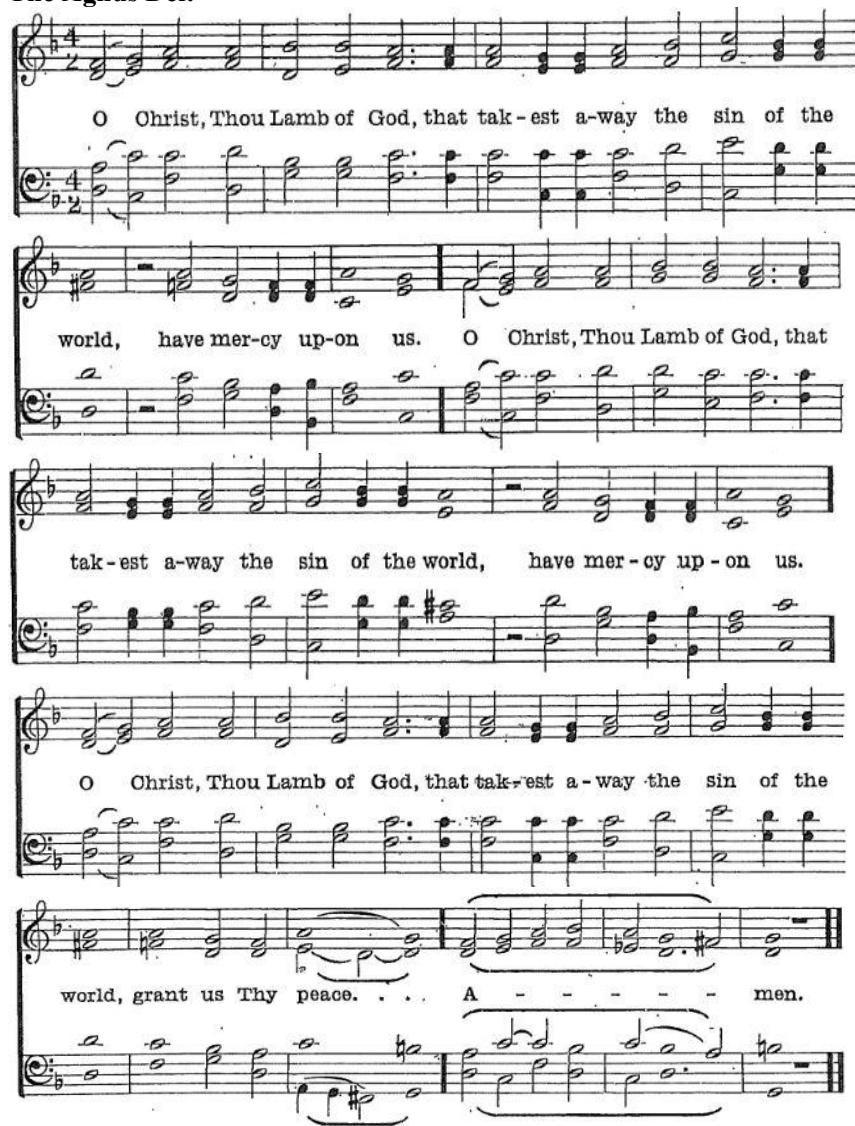
The Pax Domini:

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

R: A - - - - men.

The musical score for 'The Pax Domini' is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time and B-flat major. The lyrics are: 'R: A - - - - men.'

The Agnus Dei:



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. . . . A - - - - men.

Sit

Communion Distribution:

Hymn #215 - "Draw Us to Thee"

Hymn #410 - "Jesus, Lead Thou On"

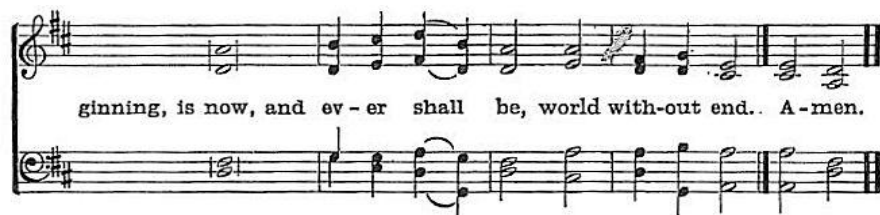
Hymn #430 - "What Is the World to Me"

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The Nunc Dimittis:

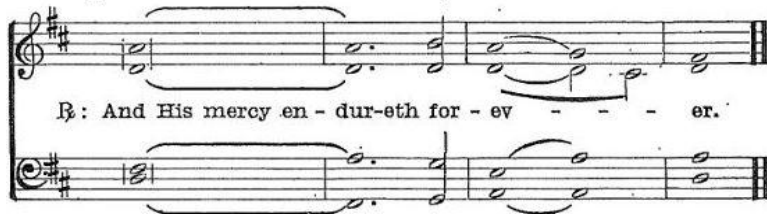


Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a Light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the Glo - ry of Thy people Is - - - - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and to the 'Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the be-



The Thanksgiving:

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

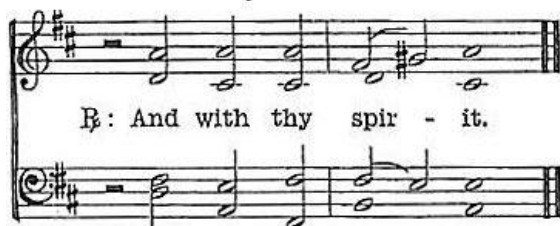


The Post-Communion Collect:

O God the Father, Fount and Source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness didst send Thine only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank Thee that for His sake Thou hast given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament; and we beseech Thee not to forsake Thy children but evermore to rule our hearts and minds by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may be enabled constantly to serve Thee; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



V: The Lord be with you.



V: Bless we the Lord.

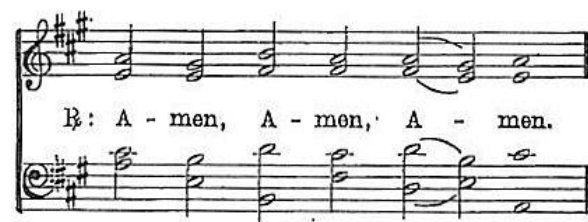


The Benediction:

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.



Sit

Closing Hymn: #410 (7:00 p.m.)

"Jesus, Lead Thou On"

Silent Prayer & Postlude

DAILY READINGS August 30: 1 Kings 12:20–13:5, 33–34; 2 Cor. 8:1–24; **31:** 1 Kings 16:29–17:24; 2 Cor. 9:1–15; **September 1:** 1 Kings 18:1–19; Eph. 1:1–23; **2:** 1 Kings 18:20–40; Eph. 2:1–22; **3:** 1 Kings 19:1–21; Eph. 3:1–21; **4:** 2 Kings 2:1–18; Eph. 4:1–24; **5:** 2 Kings 2:19–25; 4:1–7; Eph. 4:25–5:14.

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