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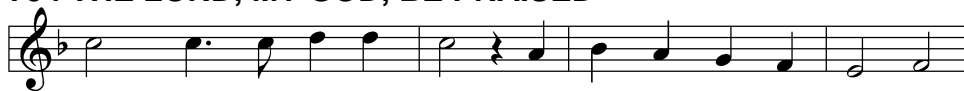
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+ PREPARATION +

794 THE LORD, MY GOD, BE PRAISED



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;
2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,
3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,
△ 4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;
The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,
The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.
To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day
Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood
His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,
The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.
And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.
Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.
God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Through faith in Jesus Christ, we are adopted as God's sons and daughters and drawn into His kingdom. By means of His Word and Supper, we gather to receive our Savior's mercy and then respond to Him in thanksgiving and praise. Because of our sins of thought, word, and action, we are unworthy of the grace we receive. Therefore, at our Lord's invitation, let us come before our heavenly Father in humility and faith, seeking His pardon for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Received into the certainty and security of His eternal kingdom, be assured that you belong to Him—He is your Father, and you are His children! As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+ WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 56:10–13; antiphon: v. 3

P When I am afraid,

C I put my trust in You.

P In God, whose word I praise, in the LORD, whose word I praise,

C in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?

P I must perform my vows to You, O God;

C I will render thank offerings to You.

P For You have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,

C that I may walk before God in the light of life.

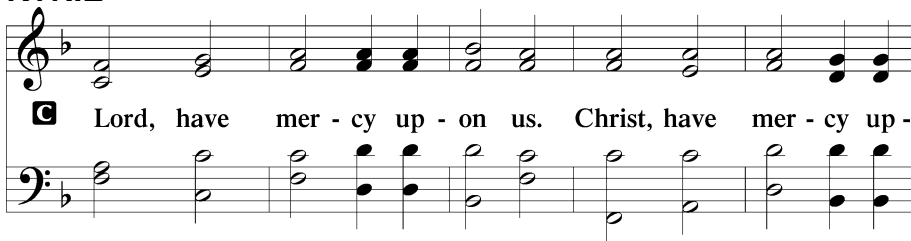
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P When I am afraid,

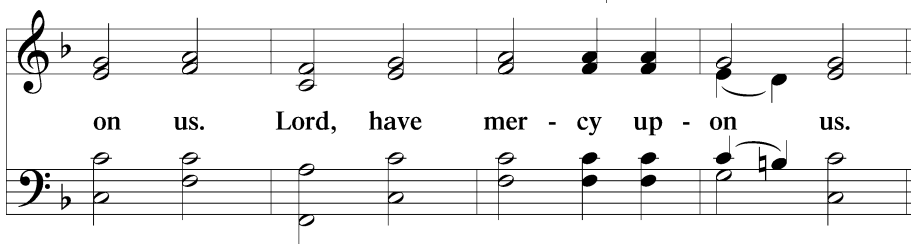
C I put my trust in You.

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



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

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, You are always more ready to hear than we to pray
- C** **and always ready to give more than we either desire or deserve.**
- P** Strengthen us in the certainty of the forgiveness of sins and life everlasting in Your heavenly kingdom,
- C** **that, as Your children, we may love and trust in You all our days;**
- P** through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 4:1–15

¹Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, “I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD.” ²And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. ³In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, ⁴and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, ⁵but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. ⁶The LORD said to Cain, “Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? ⁷If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it.”

⁸Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. ⁹Then the LORD said to Cain, “Where is Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know; am I my brother’s keeper?” ¹⁰And the LORD said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood is crying to me from the ground. ¹¹And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand. ¹²When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth.” ¹³Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is greater than I can bear. ¹⁴Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me.” ¹⁵Then the LORD said to him, “Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold.” And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 5; antiphon: v. 11a

- P** Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning.
- C** **Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to You do I pray.**
- P** O LORD, in the morning You hear my voice;
- C** **in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for You and watch. Let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever sing for joy!**
- P** For You are not a God who delights in wickedness;
- C** **evil may not dwell with You.**
- P** The boastful shall not stand before Your eyes; You hate all evildoers.
- C** **You destroy those who speak lies; the Lord abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.**

- P** But I, through the abundance of Your steadfast love, will enter Your house.
- C** **I will bow down toward Your holy temple in the fear of You. Let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever sing for joy!**
- P** Lead me, O LORD, in Your righteousness because of my enemies;
- C** **make Your way straight before me.**
- P** For there is no truth in their mouth; their inmost self is destruction;
- C** **their throat is an open grave; they flatter with their tongue.**
- P** Make them bear their guilt, O God; let them fall by their own counsels;
- C** **because of the abundance of their transgressions cast them out, for they have rebelled against You.**
- P** But let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever sing for joy,
- C** **and spread Your protection over them, that those who love Your name may exult in You.**
- P** For You bless the righteous, O LORD;
- C** **You cover him with favor as with a shield. Let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever sing for joy!**

EPISTLE

2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18

⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing. . . .

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

VERSE

Luke 18:16b

- P** Alleluia. Let the children come to Me, and do not hinder them,
- C** **for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 18:9–17

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.
- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁹[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: ¹⁰“Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this

man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

¹⁵Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them. And when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. ¹⁶But Jesus called them to him, saying, “Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁷Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

605 FATHER WELCOMES

Refrain



Fa - ther wel - comes all His chil - dren To His fam - 'ly



through His Son. Fa - ther giv - ing His sal - va - tion,



Life for - ev - er has been won.



1 Lit - tle chil - dren, come to Me, For My king - dom
2 In the wa - ter, in the Word, In His prom - ise,
3 Let us dai - ly die to sin; Let us dai - ly



is of these. Life and love I have to give,
be as - sured: Those who are bap - tized and be - lieve
rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,



Mer - cy for your sin.
Shall be born a - gain.
Live in the peace of God.

Refrain

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SERMON

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, died and was 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for all the children of God, members of His heavenly kingdom, and also for all others whose needs are known to the Lord, that they may experience the certainty of His promises and blessings in their lives.

Gracious Father, we are richly blessed to come unto Jesus at His gracious invitation and to be assured of our identity as Your children and members of Your eternal kingdom. Inspire in us a dedication to the priorities of Your kingdom, O Lord, that we may dedicate ourselves to worshiping You and to making Your love known to all the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear Your children pray!

P Loving Savior, many things in this world distract us from Your Word and draw us away from spending time in Your presence. Renew us, dear Jesus, by the Word that we have heard this day and by the Supper we will soon receive. Remind us of Your forgiveness for our trespasses and restoration for our brokenness that, with hearts and hands lifted to You, we rejoice always, pray continually, and give thanks in all circumstances, for this is Your will for Your children. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear Your children pray!

P Your Word instructs us, sovereign Lord, to lift before You our leaders and all those who serve in positions of authority among us. Grant Your blessing to all who make, administer, and judge our nation's laws. Protect those who lay down their lives for their fellow citizens. Uplift those who are weary and downtrodden in their daily lives that they may find joy in the roles

they have in their families, communities, and congregations, knowing that their labor in the Lord is never in vain. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear Your children pray!**

P Healing Savior, Your ministry on earth included bringing heaven's touch to many who were afflicted with pain and suffering. Each of us has upon our hearts and minds people in need of healing mercies this day, and, for these and for all others who are sick, hurting, and undergoing procedures, we ask for Your special care and healing touch to be extended. [*Today we pray especially for . . .*]. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear Your children pray!**

P Into Your hands of mercy, faithful Father, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Him who invites us to experience the certainty of faith that belongs to members of His heavenly kingdom, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. At Jesus' gracious invitation, we, Your children, come unto Him and receive the assurance that You have made us members of Your eternal kingdom. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

C 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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 WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

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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.

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657 A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

sts. 1-4

570 JUST AS I AM, WITHOUT ONE PLEA

619 THY BODY, GIVEN FOR ME, O SAVIOR

563 JESUS, THY BLOOD AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 199

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

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, who in love and mercy sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. Strengthen us in the certainty of our Savior's work to save us that we may live securely as children in Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

Luke 18:16; Numbers 6:24–26

P Jesus said, "Let the children come to Me, and do not hinder them,

C for to such belongs the kingdom of God."

P As His children, receive your Father's blessing:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

651 I LOVE YOUR KINGDOM, LORD



1 I love Your king - dom, Lord, The place of Your a - bode,
2 Be - yond my high - est joy I prize its heav'n - ly ways,
3 I love Your Church, O God, Your saints in ev - 'ry land,
4 For them my tears shall fall; For them my prayers as - cend;
5 Sure as Your truth shall last, To Zi - on shall be giv'n



The Church our blest Re - deem - er saved With His own pre - cious blood.
Its sweet com - mu - nion, sol - emn vows, Its hymns of love and praise.
Dear as the ap - ple of Your eye And grav - en on Your hand.
For them my cares and toils be giv'n Till toils and cares shall end.
The bright - est glo - ries earth can yield And bright - er bliss of heav'n.

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Prayers

Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving

Prayers of thanks for **Lukas Olsen, Jonah Kvernum, Kristopher Schroeder, Glenn Houser and Hanna Olsen** who are celebrating their birthdays.

Thanksgiving for **Eric & Carla Church** as they celebrate their wedding anniversary.

Prayers of Comfort and Healing

For all who suffer from **mental health concerns**.

Prayers for comfort and understanding for **all those who are battling cancer**.

Healing for **Bill Gratz** as he heads to Seattle for more testing.

Baby **Griffin and his sibling** who has kidney problems.

Continued Healing for Julie Denison.

Healing for **Sally Manion**.

For **Shauna Lee Geigle** as she recovers from surgery.

Other Prayers

Safety for **all who are traveling**.

All who serve in our **armed forces** and their **families**.

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or fill out one of the white cards in the pews and place it in the offering plate.*