

January 7, 2024

# MEMBERS AND GUESTS:

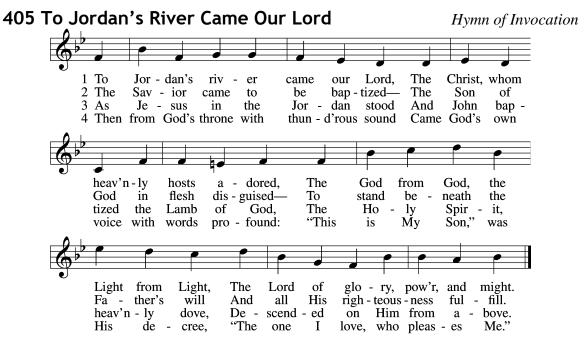
We will celebrate Holy Communion during our worship service this evening.

If you are partaking of the Lord's Supper, <u>please read and fill out one of the registration</u> <u>cards</u> on the back of the pew. You may place it in the offering plate or hand it to the usher.

To listen via radio, please tune to AM 750.

<u>Communion Statement</u> - The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood 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 words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are kindly asked first to speak with the pastor. In addition to this being our practice, we do not want our visitors to violate their own conscience or the public confession of faith that is made through their home Church membership. Those not receiving communion are invited to come forward with arms crossed to receive a blessing from the pastor. We thank you for respecting our practice. For further study, see Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; 1 Cor. 11:17–34.

# Confession and Absolution



- 5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight Anointed Christ in glorious sight As God's own choice, from Adam's fall To save the world and free us all.
- Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute;
  This man is Christ, our substitute!
  He was baptized in Jordan's stream,
  Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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### Invocation

- LSB 184
- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

- P 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.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- **P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- **C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P 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 Spirit.

**C** Amen.

# Service of the Word

# Introit

Psalm 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

### I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,

and the ends of the earth your possession.

### You shall break them with a rod of iron

### and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;

be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Serve the LORD with fear,

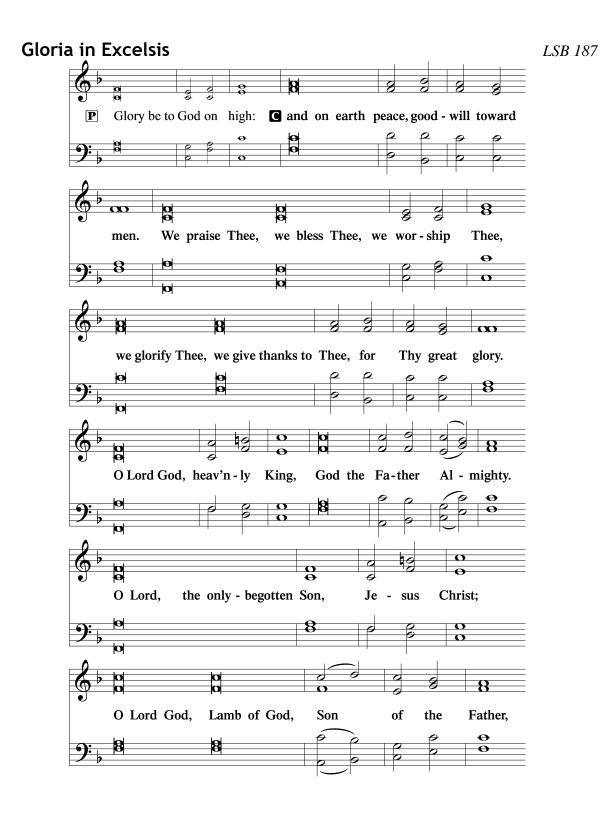
### and rejoice with trembling,

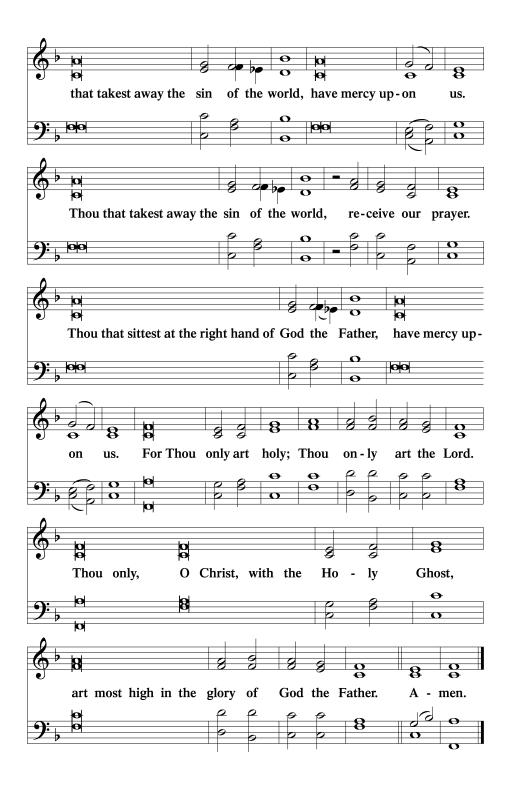
for his wrath is quickly kindled.

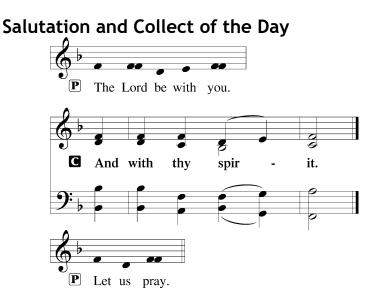
Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.

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. Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights.









▶ Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## **Old Testament Reading**

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

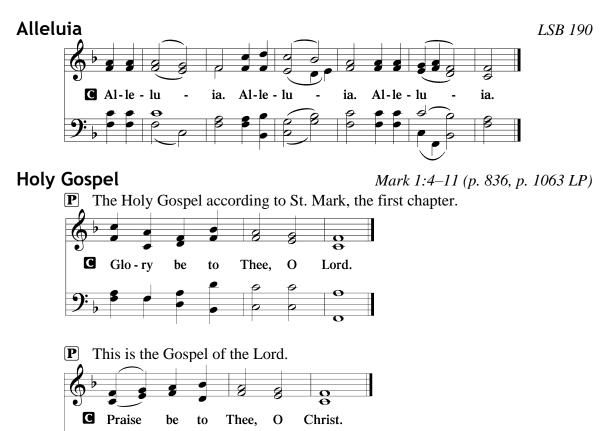
Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! Genesis 1:1–5 (p. 1, p. 1 LP)

Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8

# Epistle

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

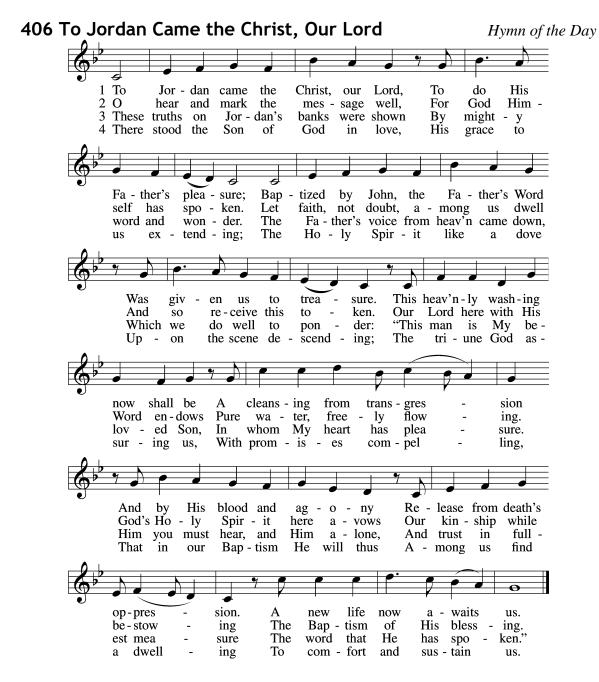


# Apostles' Creed

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**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.



5 To His disciples spoke the Lord, "Go out to ev'ry nation, And bring to them the living Word And this My invitation: Let ev'ryone abandon sin And come in true contrition To be baptized and thereby win Full pardon and remission And heav'nly bliss inherit."

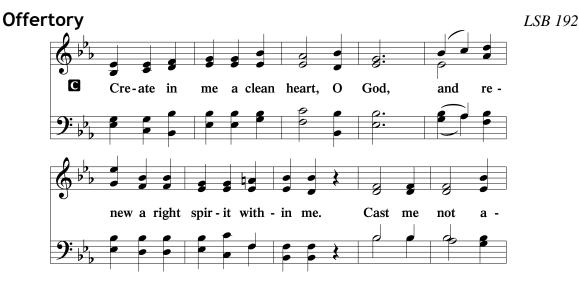
- But woe to those who cast aside This grace so freely given;
  They shall in sin and shame abide And to despair be driven.
  For born in sin, their works must fail, Their striving saves them never;
  Their pious acts do not avail, And they are lost forever,
  Eternal death their portion.
- 7 All that the mortal eye beholds Is water as we pour it.
  Before the eye of faith unfolds The pow'r of Jesus' merit.
  For here it sees the crimson flood To all our ills bring healing;
  The wonders of His precious blood The love of God revealing, Assuring His own pardon.

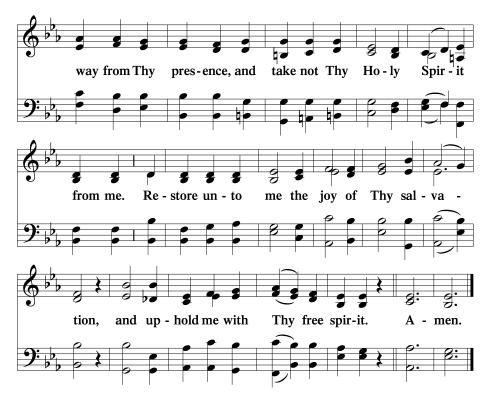
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### Sermon

Joining the Sinners



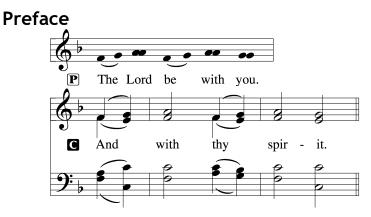


Offering

Installation of Council Members

Prayer of the Church

# Service of the Sacrament



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# **Proper Preface**

 It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for at His Baptism Your voice from heaven revealed Him as Your beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit descended on Him, confirming Him to be the Christ. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





# Lord's Prayer

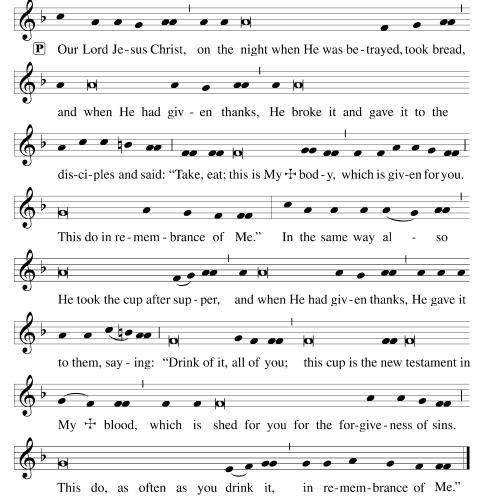
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C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

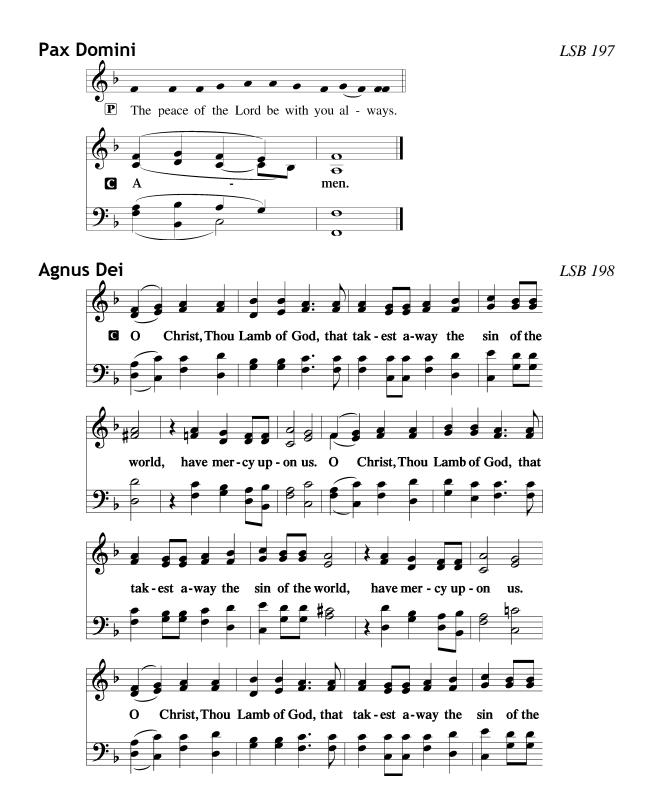




# The Words of Our Lord



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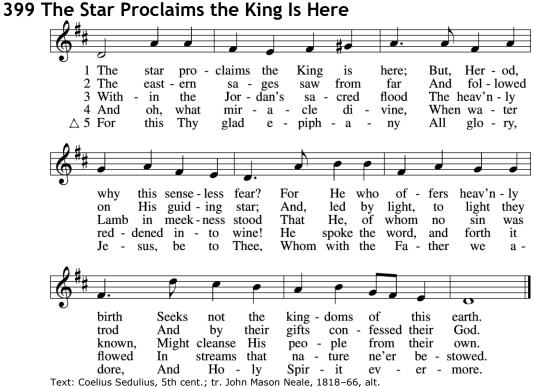




### **Distribution & Hymns**

### 394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise, 2 Man - i - fest Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King at su-preme: 3 Man - i - fest mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul; in 4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee; see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word-5 Grant us grace to Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far, at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest; And Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell-ing all the dev - il's might: Christ will then like light - ning shine, All glo-rious sign; will see His Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou: Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem: Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine; Man - i - fest in gra-cious will, Ev - er bring-ing good from ill; All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap-pear; That we might be-come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest. An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest. An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest. An - thems be Thou by all wilt be con-fessed, God in man made man - i - fest. And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest. Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-85, alt. Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816-93 Text and tune: Public domain

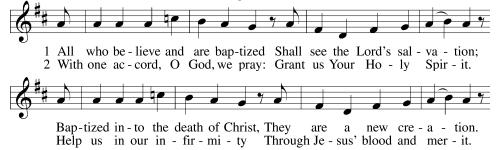


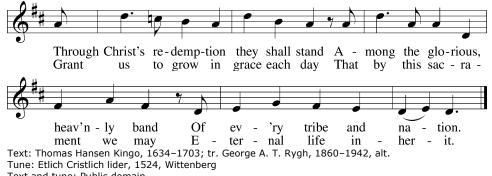
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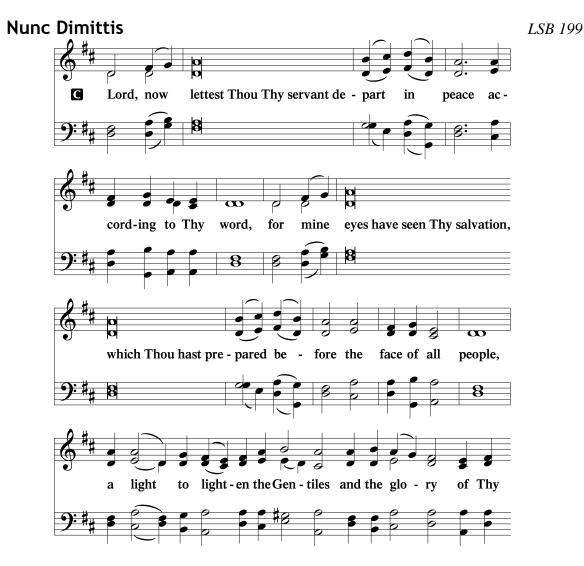
1 If Your be - lov - ed Son, 0 God, Had not earth de to 2 But now Ι find sweet peace and rest; De - spair no more reigns Him with my heart; Now all 3 I trust in all my sor - row vain; The Law brings con - dem -4 All righ-teous-ness by works is Fa - ther, You have laid On Christ, Your Son, my  $\wedge$  5 My guilt. O mor-tal flesh and blood scend - ed And in our Had not sin's o'er me. No more am I by sin op-pressed, For Christ has ceas - es. His words a - bid-ing peace im - part; His blood from na - tion. True righ-teous-ness by faith I gain; Christ's work is Sav - ior. Lord Je - sus, You my debt have paid And gained for end - ed, Then this poor, wretch-ed soul of mine In pow - er cross for me He died That, the borne sin for me. Up - on leas - es. Free grace through Him I now ob - tain; He guilt re sal - va - tion. His death, mv that per - fect sac - ri - fice, Has Ho - ly me God's fa - vor. 0 Spir - it, Fount of grace, The hell e - ter - nal - ly would pine Be - cause of my trans-gres - sion. rec - on-ciled, I might a - bide With You, my God, for - ev - er. wash-es me from ev - 'ry stain, And pure I stand be - fore Him. paid the all - suf - fi - cient price; In Him my hope is an - chored. faith and hope pre - serve me. good in me to You Ι trace; In Text: tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; (sts. 1-4): Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; (st. 5): Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 1661, Braunschweig Tune: Etlich Cristlich lider, 1524, Wittenberg Text and tune: Public domain

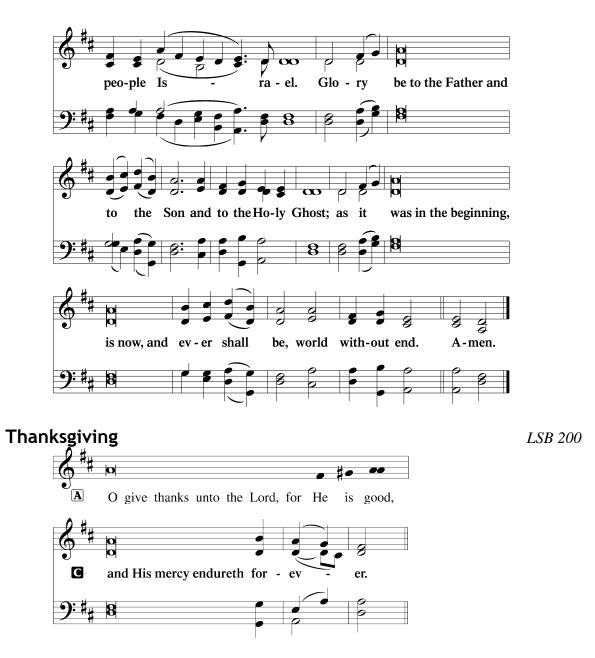
### 601 All Who Believe and Are Baptized





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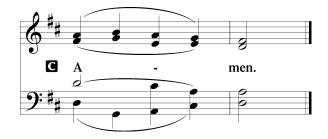
# **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness 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, and we ask You not

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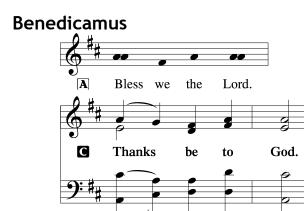
to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



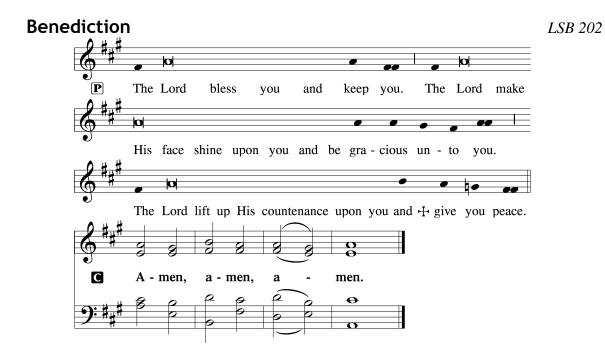
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404 Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered Closing Hymn 1 Je - sus, with sin - ners num - bered, Had blem - ish once no 2 John con - fessed Him as the Sav - ior— "Look, the sin - less 3 This the bap - tism that our Sav - ior Great - ly longed to 4 Je - sus, with num - bered, Full be - dience once sin - ners 0 -0 of His own; In the wa - ters of the Jor - dan Lamb of God!" Yet he dared not loose the san - dals der -This the crim - son cleans - ing need - ed un go; Your You, by death, have con - se - crat - ed was path; His true worth and work were shown: Heav en o - pened Of the One God's love had shod. Oh, how fair the So world God's love might know; This the the mis - sion sav - ing Wa - ter in this bath: Dy ing to the \_ and the Spir - it There de scend ed like а feet of Je - sus. Bring ing news of peace to Jor of Mes - si - ah As He stepped from dan's sin of Ad - am, Ris ing to а life of -Fa - ther's voice dove. As the re - sound - ed. Christ, the her - ald of sal - va tion. us, He, the cho - sen and a - noint - ed stream, We grace; are count - ed with the righ - teous, "Hear love." My Son, the One Ι Preach - ing mer from the cross: cy Son of God. sent to re deem. 0 ver the You us cross trace. Text: Stephen P. Starke, 1955

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Announcements for the Week of January 7, 2024							
Sunday	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	
1/7	1/8	1/9	1/10	1/11	1/12	1/13	
9:00 AM – Divine Service		0.414.0.014	< 00 DM	7.014			
10:15 AM – Pastor's Bible Study &		9 AM- 2 PM	6:30 PM –	7 PM –			
Sunday School		- Pastor @	Wednesday Night	Council			
11:30 AM – Youth Catechesis		Circuit	Bible Study	meeting			
		Meeting					
<b>Birthdays &amp; Anniversaries:</b> 1/7: Tom Rebber	<b>Stewardship:</b> <b>Budget per week:</b> \$3135 <b>12/21 affining:</b> \$5182						
		<b>12/31 offerings</b> : \$5182 <b>12/31 Synodical Fund</b> : \$0 <b>12/31 Building Fund</b> : \$200				given to the praise and glory of God	

**Quarterly Voters' Meeting:** Will be on Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> after the Divine Service. Please note that we will be discussing and voting on changes to the cemetery bylaws. Those changes can be found in the newsletter.

January Newsletters: Available in the narthex.

**Church & Parish Hall Cleaning Volunteers:** If you are interested in helping to clean the Church and Parish Hall, there is a sign-up sheet in the hallway in the Parish Hall. You can sign-up for a month at a time and you can sign-up with another person/couple/family too. Prayerfully consider lending a hand in this way. You may also speak to Janice Acree or Jenni Acton for more information about the cleaning duties.

**Usher & Communion Sign-Up Sheets:** The 2024 sign-up sheets are up now on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. We are always looking for additional people interested in filling these roles. Please feel free to sign up even if you have never before helped in these ways. Someone will be happy to show you the ropes.

**Usher, Acolyte, Communion Training:** On Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 12 PM, we will meet together to brush up on usher duties, acolyting, and communion assistance. Come on out to learn more about each of these unique ways to serve in the church. You won't be obligated to serve if you attend, so if you've ever had interest in learning more about these roles this is the perfect opportunity. We will have a lunch provided as well!

Prayer List: Teresa Lucas Ron Cox Luella Holle Thomas Turner

Laura Moorman John Dobrinski Marsha Otte Eric Otte

Upcoming Acolytes: 1/14: Trevor Acree

1/21: Abe Acton

1/28: Rayleigh Acton

Below you will find a model you can use for your personal or family devotions that focuses you on the readings from the previous Sunday, while also preparing you for what you will hear the following Sunday. In modeling your devotions this way, you and your family can stay united to the church year and reinforce what you hear, sing, and pray every Sunday.

- Mon. 1/8: <u>Read the Old Testament lesson</u>: Genesis 1:1-5 As God creates the world, He brings order to chaos as the Word speaks and the Spirit hovers over the waters. <u>Sing the Hymn of the Day</u>: LSB 406 To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord <u>Pray the Collect of the Day</u>: Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Tues. 1/9:Read the Epistle lesson: Romans 6:1-11 Through our baptism, we have been set<br/>free from sin and are dead to sin since we have been joined into Christ's death and<br/>resurrection.Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 406 To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord<br/>Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 1/8)
- Wed. 1/10: <u>Read the Gospel lesson</u>: Mark 1:4-11 By the witness of the Father and the Spirit, Jesus is proclaimed as the beloved Son of God in His baptism. <u>Sing the Hymn of the Day</u>: LSB 406 – To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 1/8)
- Thur. 1/11:Read the Old Testament lesson: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) The Lord called out three<br/>times to Samuel to make him His servant who would speak His Word.<br/>Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 402 The Only Son from Heaven<br/>Pray the Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all<br/>things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and<br/>grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our<br/>Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and<br/>forever. Amen.
- Fri. 1/12:Read the Epistle lesson: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 We honor and respect our bodies<br/>because they are a temple of the Holy Spirit and a member of Christ.<br/>Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 402 The Only Son from Heaven<br/>Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 1/11)
- Sat. 1/13:Read the Gospel lesson: John 1:43-51 The Son of God and King of Israel have<br/>come out of Nazareth who will do great things in His ministry and by His death on<br/>the cross and resurrection from the dead.<br/>Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 402 The Only Son from Heaven<br/>Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 1/11)