

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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T DIVINE SERVICE T

OPENING HYMN

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

(LSB 528)

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

EXHORTATION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

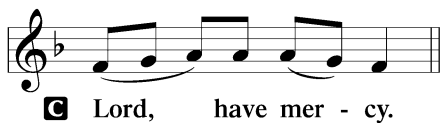
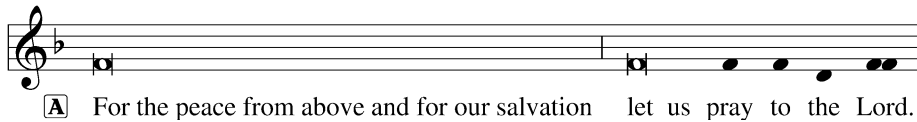
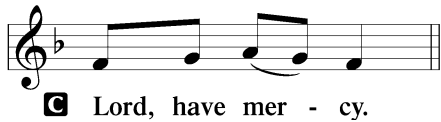
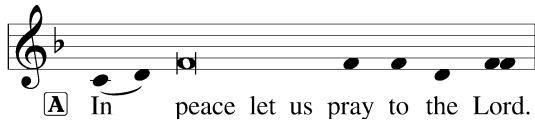
T WORD T

INTROIT

Psalm 32:1-2, 5-7 (antiphon: 32:10)

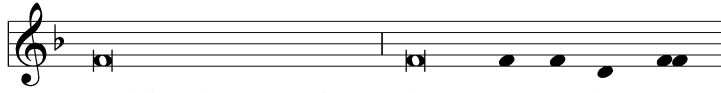
- P Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.
- C **Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.**
- P Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
- C **I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover up my iniquity; I said, "I will confess
my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**
- P Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.
- C **You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**
- C **Glorify 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.**
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but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

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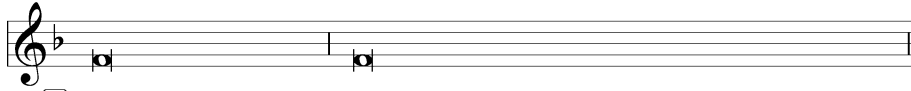
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



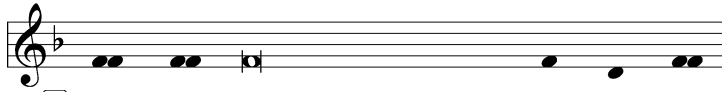
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain

C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

2 Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and

3 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and

4 Bless-ing, hon-or, glo-ry, and might be to

5 For the Lamb who was slain has be-

blood set us free to be peo-ple of God. *Refrain*

hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: *Stanza 4*

God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al-le-lu-ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

SALUTATION *and* COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT *Deuteronomy 18:15-20* (The Lord promises a prophet)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "With Joy" (*Daniel Kallman*)

Andrew, Jerry & Noah Wulf

Randy Hartman, Mike Shoup & Neil Schochenmaier

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 8:1-13* (Yielding for the sake of the weak)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA and VERSE

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a common time signature (C) and contains the melody for the first line of the Alleluia. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the" are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody for the second line, with lyrics "words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The piece concludes with a double bar line.

HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 1:21-28* (Jesus commands an unclean spirit)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

SERMON HYMN "Son of God, Eternal Savior" (*LSB 842*)

SERMON

"Asking the Right Questions"
Pastor Cory Rajek

(Mark 1:21-28)

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Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Please stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P To the Holy Trinity who alone is God of gods and Lord of lords, from whom with Jesus Christ are all things, for the revelation of His saving knowledge to us and all the world, that together we may be known by God, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our families and homes, that God would guard them and build them up in love; that He would support parents in their task of instructing their children; that He would strengthen those whose faith is weak; and that He would make us bold to forego convenience and security to attest the truths of our most holy faith with heart and action, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who are sick, distressed, in danger or facing any need, especially _____, that the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Great Physician who cast out unclean spirits and taught with authority, would sustain them with patience, trusting in His merciful care, and so graciously relieve them, let us pray to the Lord:

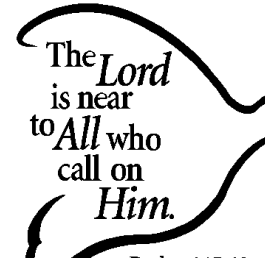
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who partake this day of Christ's holy body and blood, that in their eating and drinking they may receive the benefits of forgiveness of sins and renewal of life, and so receive a foretaste of the feast to come, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C **Amen.**



IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with one of our pastors**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

T SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT T
8:30 am, 11:00 am, Wednesday 7:00 pm

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

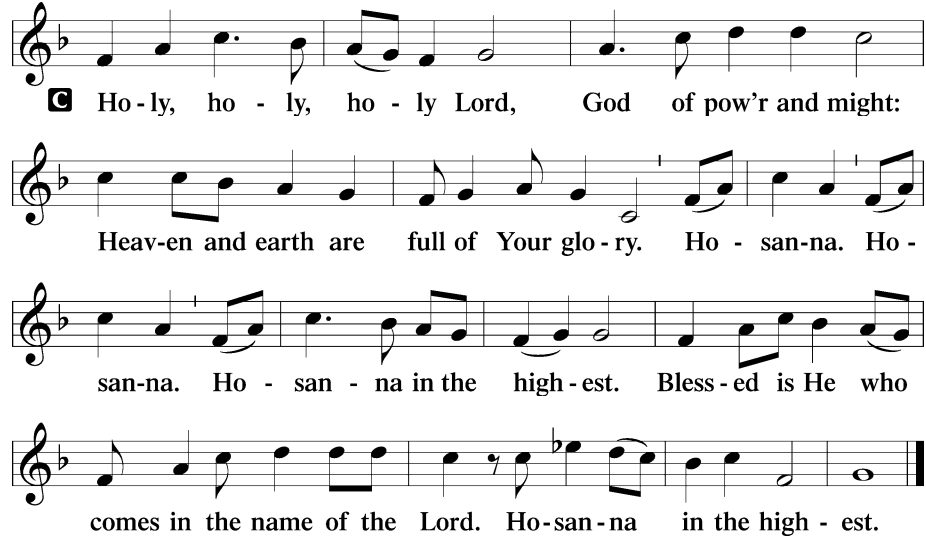
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. 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 pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. 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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

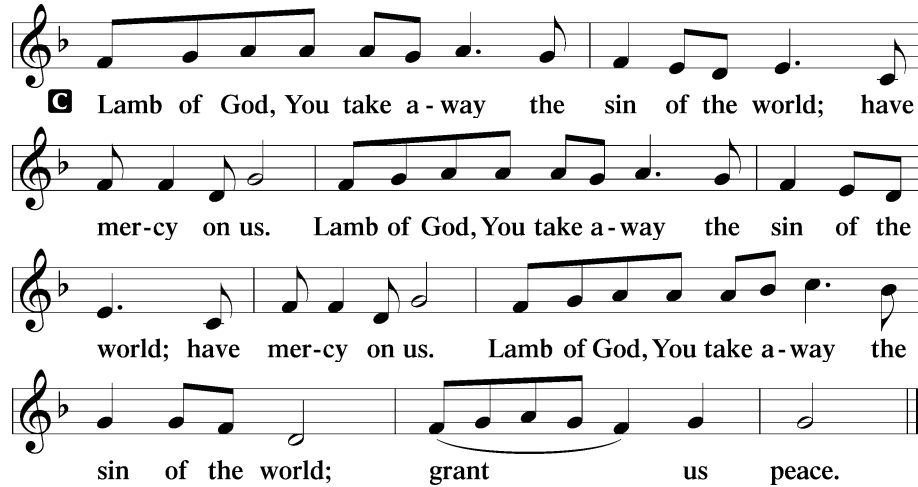
Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:19–20; 1 Cor 11:23–25

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

AGNUS DEI



☐ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Jesus Comes Today with Healing"

(LSB 620)

"O God, My Faithful God"

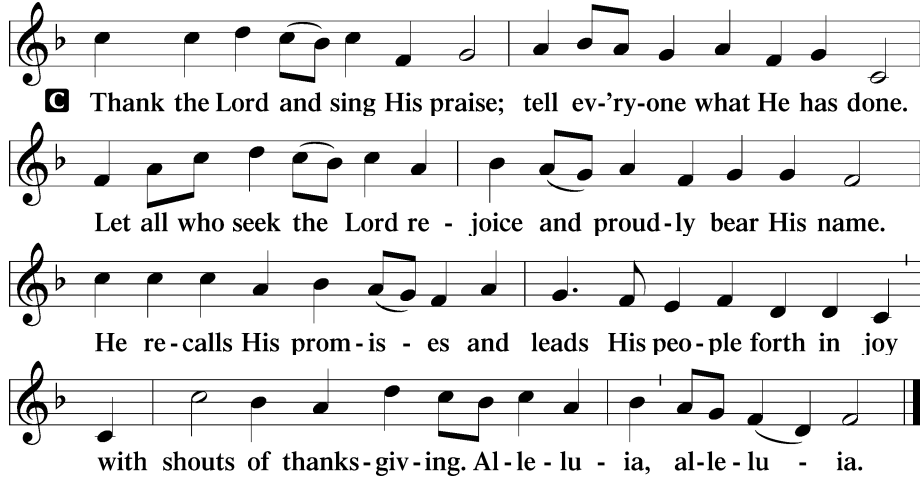
(LSB 696)

DISMISSAL OF COMMUNICANTS

(Please stand)



THANK THE LORD



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.
He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; 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

Numbers 6:24-26

- P** 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 T give you peace.
- C** Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Rise, Shine, You People"

(LSB 825)

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