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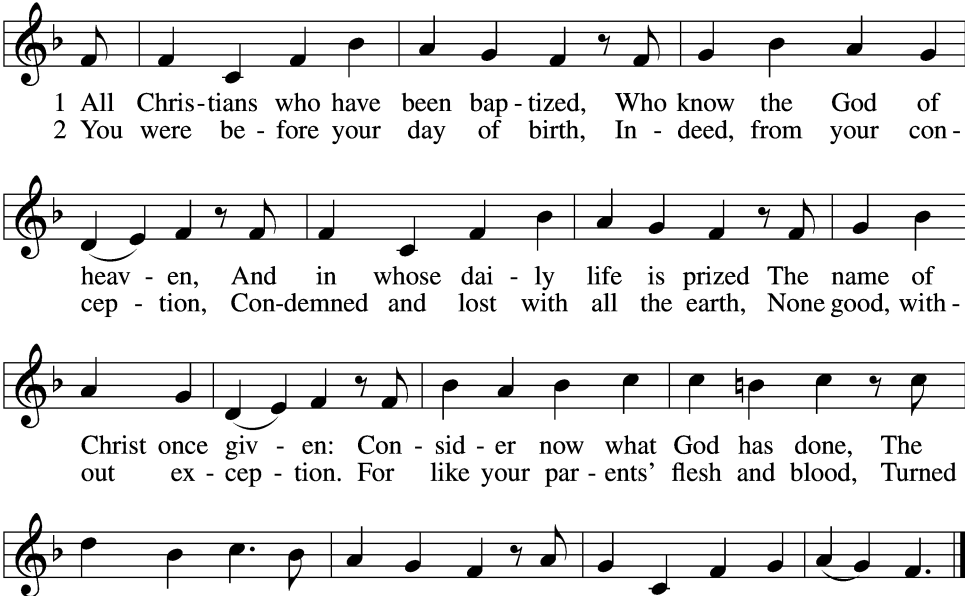
Welcome and Announcements

### **Salutation**

- P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always  
**C** And also with you.

*Please share the peace of Christ with a wave of your hand from where you sit.*

**596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized (sts 1-2)**  
**{A Lamb of God Favorite}**



1 All Chris-tians who have been bap-tized, Who know the God of  
 2 You were be-fore your day of birth, In-deed, from your con-  
 heav-en, And in whose dai-ly life is prized The name of  
 cep-tion, Con-demned and lost with all the earth, None good, with-  
 Christ once giv-en: Con-sid-er now what God has done, The  
 out ex-cep-tion. For like your par-ents' flesh and blood, Turned  
 gifts He gives to ev-'ry-one Bap-tized in-to Christ Je-sus!  
 in-ward from the high-est good, You con-stant-ly de-nied Him.

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## Confession and Absolution

*Please stand as you are able*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**[P]** 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.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**[P]** Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**[C]** **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**[P]** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**[C]** **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Responsive Reading of Psalm 29

**[P]** <sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**[C]** <sup>2</sup> **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.**

**[P]** <sup>3</sup> The voice of the LORD is over the waters;

**[C]** **the God of glory thunders,  
the LORD, over many waters.**

**[P]** <sup>4</sup> The voice of the LORD is powerful;  
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

**[C]** <sup>5</sup> **The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.**

**[P]** <sup>6</sup> He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,  
and Sirion like a young wild ox.

**[C]** <sup>7</sup> **The voice of the LORD  
flashes forth flames of fire.**

**[P]** <sup>8</sup> The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

**C** <sup>9</sup> The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth  
and strips the forests bare,  
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

**P** <sup>10</sup> The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

**C** <sup>11</sup> May the LORD give strength to his people!  
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

**C** 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

## Kyrie *LSB 186*



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



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

## 596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized (sts 3-4) [A Lamb of God Favorite]



3 But all of that was washed a - way— Im - mersed and drowned for -  
4 In Bap - tism we now put on Christ— Our shame is ful - ly



ev - er. The wa - ter of your Bap-tism day Re - stored a -  
cov - ered With all that He once sac - ri - ficed And free - ly



gain what - ev - er Old Ad - am and his sin de - stroyed And  
for us suf - fered. For here the flood of His own blood Now



all our sin - ful selves em-ployed Ac - cord-ing to our na - ture.  
makes us ho - ly, right, and good Be - fore our heav'n-ly Fa - ther.

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### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

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.

**C** Amen.

*Please be seated*

### Children's Message

#### Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1:1-5

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

<sup>3</sup>And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

#### Epistle Reading: Romans 6:1-11

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?

<sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set

free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as you are able*

**Alleluia** *LSB 190*



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

**Holy Gospel: Mark 1:4-11**

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

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>4</sup>John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup>Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

**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.**

*Please be seated*

### 594 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It



1 God's own child, I glad - ly say it: I am bap-tized  
2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er: I am bap-tized  
3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion: I am bap-tized  
4 Death, you can - not end my glad-ness: I am bap-tized  
5 There is noth - ing worth com-par - ing To this life-long



in - to Christ! He, be - cause I could not pay it,  
in - to Christ! I have com - fort e - ven strong-er:  
in - to Christ! Drop your ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion,  
in - to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad - ness  
com - fort sure! O - pen - eyed my grave is star - ing:

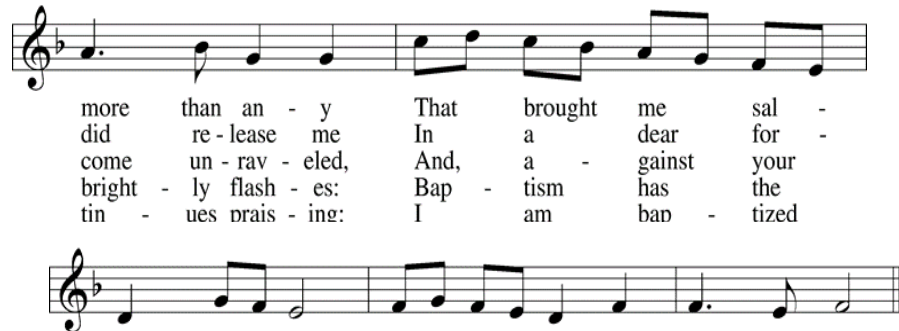


Gave my full re - demp - tion price. Do I need earth's  
Je - sus' cleans - ing sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y  
I am not so soon en - ticed. Now that to the  
To in - her - it par - a - dise! Though I lie in  
E - ven there I'll sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a -



treas - ures man - y? I have one worth  
con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism  
font I've trav - eled, All your might has  
dust and ash - es Faith's as - sur - ance  
waits its rais - ing, Still my soul con -





more than an - y That brought me sal -  
 did re - lease me In a dear for -  
 come un - rav - eled, And, a - gainst your -  
 bright - ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the  
 tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized

va - tion free Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!  
 giv - ing flood, Sprin - kling me with Je - sus' blood?  
 tyr - an - ny, God, my Lord, u - nites with me!  
 strength di - vine To make life im - mor - tal mine.  
 in - to Christ; I'm a child of par - a - dise!

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## Sermon: Romans 6:1-5

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.  
**C** Amen.

## Offering and Prayers

### Offering Statement:

- P** Please fulfill your obligation as a member to support the ministry that is still on-going despite the restrictions imposed concerning public worship. Please mail in your offering, give on-line at our website, or drop your offering envelope off in the lobby in the offering box across from the Church Office Monday – Friday 9 am-1 PM

### Offering Verse: Romans 6:11

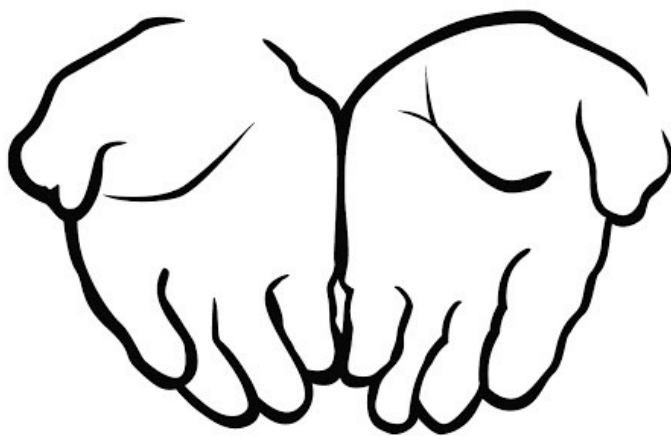
So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

*Please stand as you are able*

Offertory *LSB 192*



*Please be seated*



## Recognition of Servants of the Congregation

*Those who are retiring from service on the Church Council are invited forward.*

**P** Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Al Stange has served our Lord faithfully for the past two years as Chairman of Finance here at Lamb of God. Hear what Holy Scripture has to say about those who serve in the Church.

**A** <sup>3</sup>I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup>always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, <sup>5</sup>because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup>And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup>For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.

**A** <sup>15</sup>And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup>Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

**P** Let us pray.  
Gracious Father, You direct Your people to use their gifts in service to others. Receive our thanks and praise for the faithful service of Al Stange. Bless him with wisdom and patience, and with love and faithfulness to Your Word, that he may continue to serve You with gladness to whatever service you call him to; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**P** Go in the name of the Lord. Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**C** Amen.

# Installation of Congregational Officers

*All those serving on the Church Council for 2021 are presented before the altar. The pastor addresses the congregation:*

- P** Beloved in the Lord, Holy Scripture admonishes us that “all things should be done decently and in order.”

To that end, the constitution and bylaws of this congregation establish various offices to which men and women are elected and appointed to serve. In so doing, the Church follows the example of the Early Christian Church as described in Acts, chapter six:

The twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.”

The apostle Peter writes in his first epistle:

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

*Each officer is named individually according to his or her respective office.*

- P** **Ron Jonas** has been elected to serve another term as Chairman of the Congregation.  
**Ervin Glann** continues to serve as Chairman of the Elders  
**Janet Hudson** continues to serve as Council Secretary  
**Mickial Wilson** has been elected to serve as the Chairman of Finance  
**Bonnie Petee** continues to serve as the Chairman of Stewardship/  
Evangelism  
**Faith Moss** continues to serve as the Chairman of the Trustees  
**Christine Cates** continues to serve as the Chairman of Christian Education/Youth

*The pastor addresses the officers-elect:*

- P** You have been chosen to fill specific offices and positions of responsibility at Lamb of God Lutheran Church. You are to work with the pastor, that our life together in Christ may be orderly and pleasing in His sight.

You are to see that the services of God's house are held at the proper times, that the Word of God is purely preached and taught according to the Lutheran Confessions, that the Sacraments of Christ are administered according to His institution, that provision is made for the Christian instruction of young and old, that the erring are admonished, and that discipline is maintained.

You are to see that the temporal affairs of the congregation are properly administered and that proper support is provided for the workers of this congregation. You are to assist in caring for the poor and the sick, in cultivating harmony among the members, in promoting the general welfare of the congregation, and in furthering the kingdom of Christ here and throughout the world.

While holiness of life and obedience to Christ are expected of all members of the congregation, it is especially important that you, as office-bearers in His Church, show yourselves, by word and example, to be faithful to Him in service and Christian devotion.

In the presence of God and of this congregation, I therefore ask you: Do you accept the office(s) entrusted to you, and do you promise faithfully to carry out your duties, trusting in the Lord and conforming yourself to His Word in accordance with the faith of the Evangelical Lutheran Church? If so, then answer: I do.

- R** *I do.*

*The pastor addresses the congregation:*

- P** Beloved in the Lord, you have heard the promises of faithfulness spoken by these men and women whom you have selected to serve as officers of Lamb of God Lutheran Church. Do you promise to support them in their work, to remember them in your prayers, and to work with them to the best of the abilities that God has given you, so that He may be glorified and His work be done in our midst? If so, then answer: We do.

- C** **We do.**

*The pastor addresses the officers-elect:*

**P** Brothers and sisters in Christ, I install you as officers of Lamb of God Lutheran Church in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** The almighty and most merciful God enlighten and strengthen you in your offices that you may be good and faithful stewards to the glory of His name and the good of His people.

**C** Amen.

*Please stand as you are able.*

**P** Let us pray.  
Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks that You have raised up these servants for work among Your people. We humbly implore You to grant them, by Your Holy Spirit, those gifts needed for the faithful carrying out of their tasks, most especially wisdom, strength, and willing hearts. Let Your blessing rest on this congregation. Strengthen the faith, quicken the love, and enkindle the zeal of its members, that Your name may be glorified and that here and in all places under heaven the kingdom of Your Son may be advanced. We remember with thanksgiving those who have faithfully served Your people and have now completed their time of service. We pray that in the end of days we, with all Your faithful people, may hear the voice of Christ saying: "Come, you who are blessed by My Father; inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world"; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**P** Go in the name of the Lord. Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**C** Amen.

*All may return to their seats*

### Prayer of the Church

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** ...let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, You manifested Yourself, with the Holy Spirit, in the fullness of grace at the baptism of Your dear Son and, with Your voice, directed us to Him who has borne our sins, that we might receive grace and the remission of sins. Keep us, we beseech You, in the true faith. Since we have been baptized in accordance with Your command and the example of Your dear Son, we pray You to strengthen our faith by Your Holy Spirit and lead us to everlasting life and salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Lord's Prayer *LSB 241*

**L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**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.

## Close of the Service

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

### Benedicamus *LSB 202*

**A** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction 202

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.
- G** Amen

## 596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized (sts 5-6) [A Lamb of God Favorite]

5 O Chris-tian, firm - ly hold this gift And give God thanks for -  
6 So use it well! You are made new— In Christ a new cre -  
ev - er! It gives the pow - er to up - lift In all that  
a - tion! As faith - ful Chris-tians, live and do With - in your  
you en - deav - or. When noth - ing else re - vives your soul, Your  
own vo - ca - tion, Un - til that day when you pos - sess His  
Bap - tism stands and makes you whole And then in death com - pletes you.  
glo - rious robe of righ - teous - ness Be - stowed on you for - ev - er!

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## Sharing of the Peace

- P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always
- G** And also with you

- P** Please take a moment today to call, or text, or through your choice of social media, reach out to your brothers and sisters and neighbors with fellowship and friendship. Be especially vigilant concerning those around you who may need your help with transportation, or groceries, or other needs that you may be in a position to help with. Reach out with the love of Christ as His Church

## Closing Peace

- P** Go in peace, serve the Lord

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