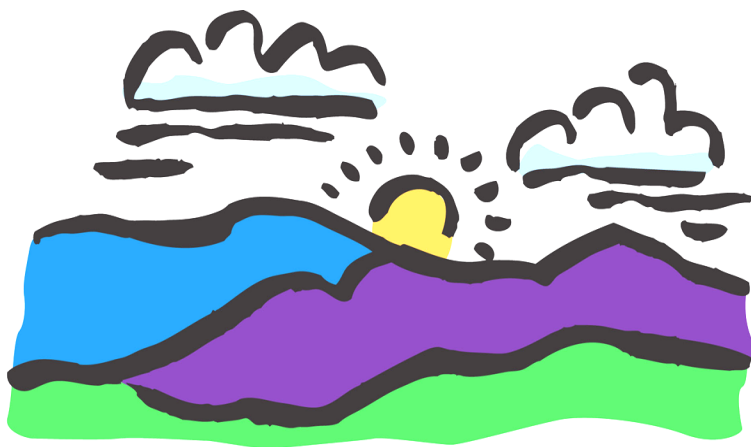


# **Lamb Of God Lutheran Church**

November 17, 2019



23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday  
After Pentecost



*"My words will not pass away."*

LUKE 21:33, NRSV

### *Communion Statement*

#### **We will be celebrating Holy Communion at this service**

We consider this to be a family meal partaken in and with the Real Presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The term “Communion” describes the relationship between the participants, certainly between each person and our Savior whose meal it is, but also with all who come together to consume Christ’s body and blood in and with the bread and wine. To properly celebrate Communion all participants should be in communion, sharing the same confession of faith as is taught by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS). **We welcome all those who regularly confess this faith as members or regular attenders of Lamb of God. Those who belong to another LCMS congregation and wish to join with us as fellow family members are asked to speak to an Elder prior to the beginning of service. Those who are visiting but not members of an LCMS congregation may approach the communion rail and receive a blessing with their arms folded in front of their chest, or remain seated.**

This has been the practice of the Church from the beginning, which according to earliest records would dismiss all those not baptized and confirmed before the Lord’s Supper was celebrated. We are celebrating this Sacrament in keeping with this tradition. If you are from outside the LCMS confession, please know that we are not judging you or your faith. We are not implying that you are not a Christian or worthy of the gifts Christ won for you on the cross. We are simply acknowledging that since you do not have the same confession as we do you are not “in communion” with us. If you still desire to participate in Holy Communion in the future at Lamb of God please speak with Pastor Mark after the service.

Thank you for honoring our celebration of Holy Communion.

*\*\* Note: For those concerned about consuming alcohol-the individual cups in the center of each tray contain diluted wine. (1 drop of wine in water)*

2 *Also Gluten Free wafers available.*

## **Lamb of God Lutheran Church**

*Empowered by Christ's Sacraments to be His witness in  
Friendship/Fellowship/and Faith.*

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**WORSHIP**  
10:00 AM

Divine Service, Setting Three

*23rd Sunday after Pentecost  
November 17, 2019*

*Fellowship Register*

Please sign the register that you will find in the book holder and pass it on to the others sitting in your pew. Guests are invited to sign the register and please include your address. Thank you.

*Pre-Service Music*

*Welcome & Announcements*

- P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** **And also with you.**  
*(The Peace of the Lord is given and received)*

*Opening Hymn + LSB 508 vs 1-4*  
(A Lamb of God Favorite)

**The Day Is Surely Drawing Near**



1 The day is sure - ly draw - ing near When Je - sus, God's a - noint - ed,  
2 The fi - nal trum - pet then shall sound And all the earth be shak - en,  
3 The books are o - pened then to all, A rec - ord tru - ly tell - ing  
4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but car - nal plea - sures,



In all His pow - er shall ap - pear As judge whom God ap -  
And all who rest be - neath the ground Shall from their sleep a -  
What each has done, both great and small, When he on earth was  
Who here de - spised His pre - cious Word And loved their earth - ly



point - ed. Then fright shall ban - ish i - dle mirth, And flames on  
wak - en. But all who live will in that hour, By God's al -  
dwell - ing, And ev - 'ry heart be clear - ly seen, And all be  
treas - ures! With shame and trem - bling they will stand And at the



flames shall rav - age earth As Scrip - ture long has warned us.  
might - y, bound - less pow'r, Be changed at His com - mand - ing.  
known as they have been In thoughts and words and ac - tions.  
judg - e's stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - ered.

*Please stand, as able.*

*Confession & Declaration of Grace + LSB 184*

**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.**
- 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.**

*Hymn + LSB 508 vs 5*

(A Lamb of God Favorite)

## The Day Is Surely Drawing Near

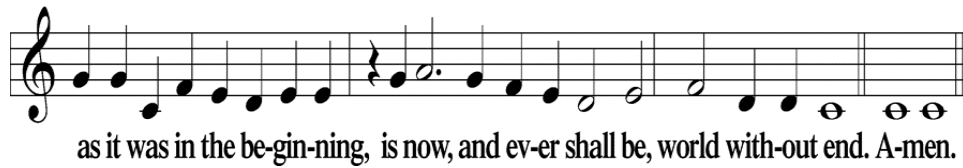
- 5 My Savior paid the debt I owe  
And for my sin was smitten;  
Within the Book of Life I know  
My name has now been written.  
I will not doubt, for I am free,  
And Satan cannot threaten me;  
There is no condemnation!

*Introit + Ps. 121:1-2, 5, 7-8; antiphon: Luke 21:33*

- P** Heaven and earth will pass away,  
**C** **but my words will not pass away.**  
**P** I lift up my eyes to the hills.  
**C** **From where does my help come?**  
**P** My help comes from the LORD,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**  
**P** The LORD is your keeper;  
**C** **the LORD is your shade on your right hand.**  
**P** The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
**C** **he will keep your life.**  
**P** The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in  
**C** **from this time forth and forevermore.**

*Gloria Patri*





### *Kyrie*



### *Salutation and Collect of the Day*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** Let us pray. O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*



*Old Testament Reading + Malachi 4:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>“For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup>But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. <sup>3</sup>And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>4</sup>“Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

<sup>5</sup>“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. <sup>6</sup>And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Epistle + 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13*

<sup>6</sup>Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>nor did we eat anyone’s bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. <sup>9</sup>It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you



in ourselves an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

<sup>13</sup>As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand, as able.*

*Holy Gospel + Luke 21:5-36*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter.



some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he said, <sup>6</sup>“As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” <sup>7</sup>And they asked him, “Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?” <sup>8</sup>And he said, “See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup> And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.”

<sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. <sup>11</sup> There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. <sup>12</sup> But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. <sup>13</sup> This will be your opportunity to bear witness. <sup>14</sup> Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, <sup>15</sup> for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup> You will be delivered up even by parents and brother and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. <sup>17</sup> You will be hated by all for my name's sake. <sup>18</sup> But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup> By your endurance you will gain your lives.

<sup>20</sup> “But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. <sup>21</sup> Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, <sup>22</sup> for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. <sup>23</sup> Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. <sup>24</sup> They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

<sup>25</sup> “And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, <sup>26</sup> people fainting with fear and with forebod-

ing of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup> And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup> Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

<sup>29</sup> And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. <sup>30</sup> As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. <sup>31</sup> So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup> Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup> “But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. <sup>35</sup> For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup> But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

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



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

*Apostle's*

*Creed*

**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.*

*Hymn of the Day + LSB 513*

*Sung to tune LSB 672*

### **The Clouds of Judgment Gather**

- 1     The clouds of judgment gather,  
         The time is growing late;  
     Be sober and be watchful,  
         Our judge is at the gate:  
     The judge who comes in mercy,  
         The judge who comes in might  
     To put an end to evil  
         And diadem the right.

- 2     Arise, O true disciples;  
       Let wrong give way to right,  
       And penitential shadow  
       To Jesus' blessed light:  
       The light that has no evening,  
       That knows no moon or sun,  
       The light so new and golden,  
       The light that is but one..
- 3     The home of fadeless splendor,  
       Of blooms that bear no thorn,  
       Where they shall dwell as children  
       Who here as exiles mourn;  
       The peace of all the faithful,  
       The calm of all the blest,  
       Inviolable, unfading,  
       Divinest, sweetest, best.
- 4     Oh, happy, holy portion,  
       Relief for all distressed,  
       True vision of true beauty,  
       Refreshment for the blest!  
       Strive now to win that glory,  
       Toil now to gain that light;  
       Send hope ahead to grasp it  
       Till hope be lost in sight.

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*Sermon + Luke 21:29-36*

*We Receive Our Tithes & Offerings*  
*Offering Verse + 2 Thessalonians 3:13*  
*<sup>13</sup>As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.*

*Special Music + Bells 2 Heaven*  
*"Awesome God"*

*The Prayers of the Church*

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O blessed Lord, You have promised never to abandon us and always to provide all that we need for this day and for eternal life. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, hear the prayers of Your people, and grant them all good things for Your mercy's sake. To You, the eternal God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be glory now and forevermore.
- C** **Amen.**

*Please stand, as able.*

*Holy Communion*  
*Preface + LSB 194*

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And with thy spirit.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**C** **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Proper Preface + Pastor*

It is truly meet, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

*Sanctus + LSB 195*

*Lord's Prayer + LSB 196*

**P** Taught by our Lord and trusting in 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**



**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,

**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**



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.

*Words of Institution*

*The Pax Domini + LSB 197*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

*Agnus Dei + LSB 198*

*Please be seated.*

*+ Distribution of the Blessed Sacrament +*

*Note: Diluted wine in center cups for those concerned about alcohol. Gluten Free wafers available on Altar-let the Elder serving communion know.*

*Distribution Hymn + LSB 645*

(A Lamb of God Favorite)

**Built on the Rock**



**C** A - men.





☐ 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.



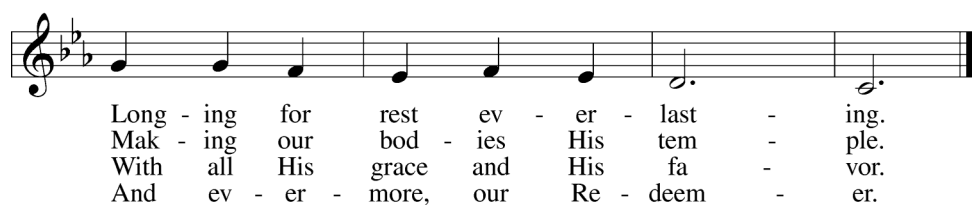
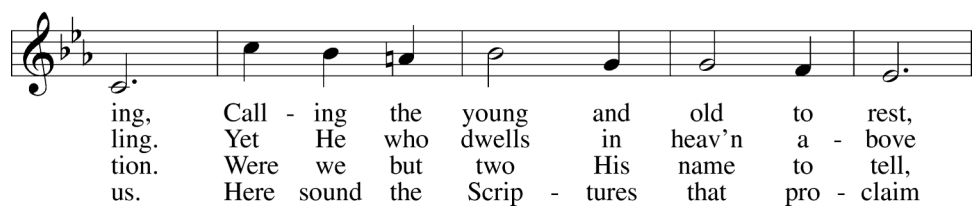
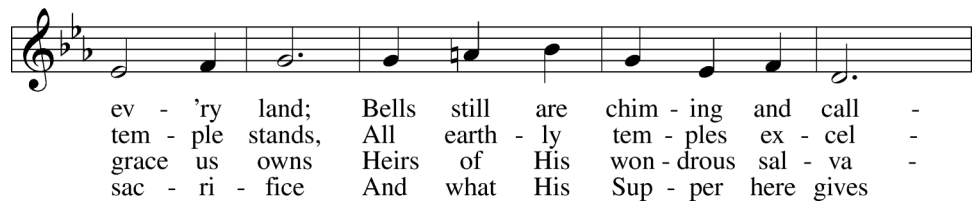
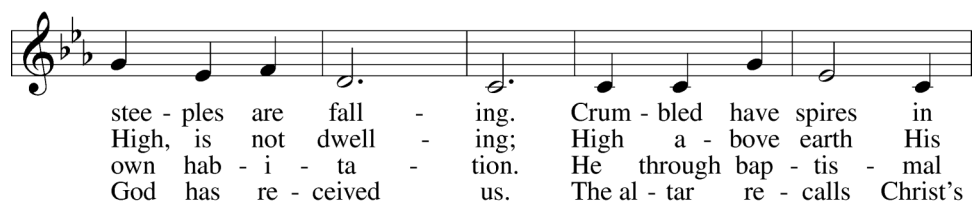
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.



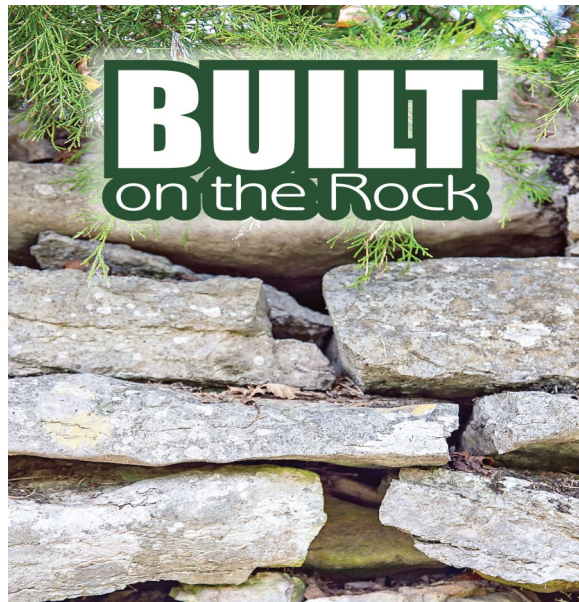
1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when  
2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most  
3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for His  
4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, Tell - ing how



5      Grant, then, O God, Your will be done,  
           That, when the church bells are ringing,  
       Many in saving faith may come  
           Where Christ His message is bringing:  
       “I know My own; My own know Me.  
       You, not the world, My face shall see.  
           My peace I leave with you. Amen.”

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*Distribution*  
*LSB 644*  
 (A Lamb of God  
**The**  
**Church's**  
**Founda-**



*Hymn +*  
 Favorite)  
**One**  
**tion**



1 The Church's one foun-da-tion Is Je-sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E-lect from ev-'ry na-tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;  
3 Though with a scorn-ful won-der The world sees her op-pressed,  
4 Through toil and trib-u-la-tion And tu-mult of her war



She is His new cre-a-tion By wa-ter and the Word.  
Her char-ter of sal-va-tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
By schisms rent a-sun-der, By her-e-sies dis-tressed,  
She waits the con-sum-ma-tion Of peace for-ev-er-more



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho-ly bride;  
One ho-ly name she bless-es, Par-takes one ho-ly food,  
Yet saints their watch are keep-ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
Till with the vi-sion glo-rious Her long-ing eyes are blest,



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.  
And to one hope she press-es With ev-'ry grace en-dued.  
And soon the night of weep-ing Shall be the morn of song.  
And the great Church vic-to-rious Shall be the Church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth has union  
With God, the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won.  
O blessed heav'nly chorus!  
Lord, save us by Your grace  
That we, like saints before us,  
May see You face to face.

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*Distribution Hymn + LSB 516*

(A Lamb of God

Favorite)

**Wake,  
Awake, for  
Is Flying**



**Night**



1 "Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing," The watch-men on the  
2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, And all her heart with  
3 Now let all the heav'ns a - dore Thee, Let saints and an - gels



heights are cry - ing; "A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!"  
joy is spring - ing; She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.  
sing be - fore Thee With harp and cym-bals' clear - est tone.



Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es And at the thrill - ing  
For her Lord comes down all - glo - rious, The strong in grace, in  
Of one pearl each shin - ing por - tal, Where, join - ing with the



cry re - joic - es: "Oh, where are ye, ye vir - gins wise?  
truth vic - to - rious; Her star is ris'n, her light is come.  
choir im - mor - tal, We gath - er round Thy ra - diant throne.



The Bride - groom comes, a - wake! Your lamps with glad - ness take!  
Now come, Thou Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son,  
No eye has seen the light, No ear has heard the might



Al - le - lu - ia! With brid - al care Your - selves pre - pare  
Hail! Ho - san - na! We en - ter all The wed - ding hall  
Of Thy glo - ry; There - fore will we E - ter - nal - ly



To meet the Bride - groom, who is near."  
To eat the Sup - per at Thy call.  
Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!

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*Table Blessing*

*Please stand, as able.*


*Nunc Dimittis + LSB 199*

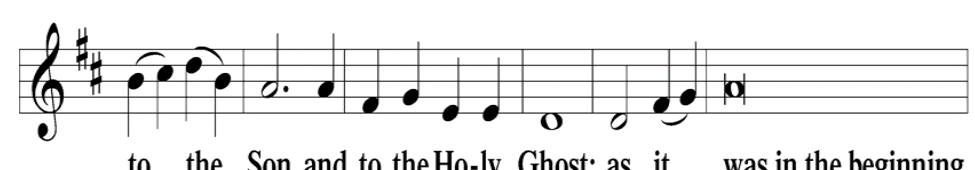


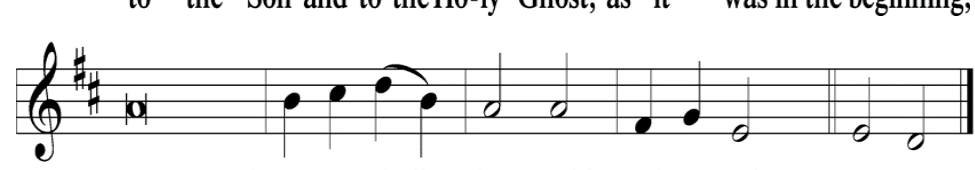
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
cord-ing to Thy word. for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation.  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

*Thanksgiving + LSB 200*

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.


  
 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 without end. A-men.

*Collect + LSB 201*

**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


  
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one  
 another;  
 Your Son, our  
 reigns with You  
 God, now and  
 through Jesus Christ,  
 Lord, who lives and  
 and the Holy Spirit, one  
 forever.



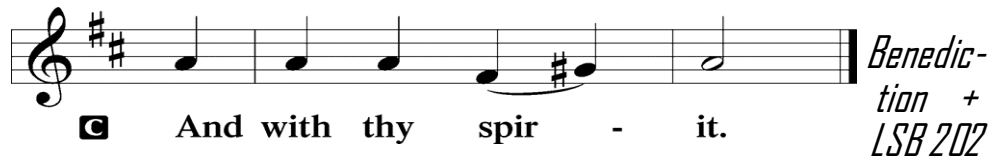


*Salutation and Benedicamus*

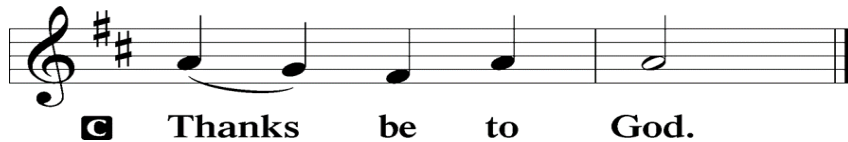
**P** The Lord be with you.



Bless we the Lord.



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face



shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His

countenance upon you and † give you peace.

*Closing Hymn + LSB 508 vs 6-7*



(A Lamb of God  
Favorite)

**The Day Is  
Surely  
Drawing**

**Near**

- 6     May Christ our intercessor be  
         And through His blood and merit  
         Read from His book that we are free  
         With all who life inherit.  
         Then we shall see Him face to face,  
         With all His saints in that blest place  
         Which He has purchased for us.
- 7     O Jesus Christ, do not delay,  
         But hasten our salvation;  
         We often tremble on our way  
         In fear and tribulation.  
         O hear and grant our fervent plea:  
         Come, mighty judge, and set us free  
         From death and ev'ry evil.

**P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord  
**C** Thanks be to God.



**“...you know  
that the kingdom  
of GOD is  
near.”**

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**LUKE 21:31**



Luke 21:31