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Prelude

“God is Our Refuge”

Benton Price

Hymn

“Glory Be to Jesus”

LSB 433

Please Stand for Last Verse

Invocation

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

C *Amen.*

Confession and Absolution

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

Psalm

Psalm 4

¹ Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!

You have given me relief when I was in distress.

Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!

² O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame?

How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?

³ But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him.

⁴ Be angry, and do not sin;

ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.

⁵ Offer right sacrifices,

and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶ There are many who say, “Who will show us some good?

Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!”

⁷ You have put more joy in my heart

than they have when their grain and wine abound.

⁸ In peace I will both lie down and sleep;

for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

C *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

- C** *Lord, have mercy upon us.*
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C *And with thy spirit.*

P Let us pray.

O God You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C *Amen.*

Sit

Jeremiah prophesied Jerusalem's destruction – but the professional prophets in the king's court kept on giving false assurances that Jerusalem was safe because the temple of the Lord stood there. We are blessed when pastors and teachers or parents tell us the true Word of God – even warnings and corrections we don't like to hear.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 26:8-15

⁸And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, “You shall die!

⁹Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, ‘This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?’” And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

¹⁰When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king’s house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the

entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. ¹¹Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, “This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears.”

¹²Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, “The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. ¹³Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. ¹⁴But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. ¹⁵Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Hebrews 12:2

P [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

C the founder and perfecter of our faith,

P who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame

C and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Paul boldly urged the Philippian Christians to follow his example of faith and life. In the same way, we are blessed when we can look to and follow the examples of godly men and women – for there are plenty of bad examples in our society that promote godless materialism and immorality.

Epistle

Philippians 3:17-4:1

¹⁷Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies

of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

¹Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

In this Holy Gospel we see Jesus moving steadfastly toward Jerusalem and the climax of his saving mission. His lament over the stubborn unbelief of his people warns us not to wander from him, but always to respond to him and follow him happily in faith. Then we will be secure in his care. Stand

Holy Gospel

Luke 13:31-35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C *Glory be to Thee, O Lord.*

³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.”

³²And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. ³³Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’ ³⁴O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! ³⁵Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

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.

Sit

Children's Message

8:00 and 10:30 services only

Hymn

“My Song is Love Unknown”

LSB 430 v. 1,2,&7

Sermon

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

C *Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.*

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Sit

Announcements & Record of Fellowship Is Shared

Offering

Organ Offertory “O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High”

Stand

Response “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” *LSB 805*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

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Prayer of the Church

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

LSB Back Cover or LSB 241

- P** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
C **Our Father who art in heaven...**

Salutation and Benedicamus

- P** The Lord be with you.
C *And with thy spirit.*
P Bless we the Lord.
C *Thanks be to God.*

Benediction

LSB 202

- 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 † give you peace.
C *Amen. Amen. Amen.*

Hymn

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

LSB 725

Postlude

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Assisting in Worship Today:

Preacher: Rev. Lynn Podoll
Liturgist: Rev. Troy Countryman
Organist: Dr. Herman D. Taylor
Elder: Morris Miller
Assisting: Doug ZuHone
Ushers: 8:00 am Lowell Miller, Laverne Schall
9:15 am Alan Zauner, Randy Peadro
*We need Usher help for the 9:15 service.
Please contact the church office for more information.*
10:30 am Chip Eads, Roger Tice, Verna Tice
Acolytes: 8:00 am Zach Prevo & Luke Miller
9:15 am Allie Diltz & Emma Diltz
10:30 am John Mauck & Kaitlyn McDevitt
Altar Guild: Carol Bomball & Sheila Winders
Interpreting: Kim Janssen
Driver: Corinne Thomley (234-8748)

Assisting in Worship Next Week - 3/7/10:

Preacher: Rev. Lynn Podoll
Celebrant: Rev. Troy Countryman
Organist: Dr. Herman D. Taylor
Elder: Dave Quick
Assisting: Joe Dosien
Ushers: 8:00 am Paul Welton, Jack Pierce, Randy Rappe
9:15 am Scott & Janet Uphoff, Kris Maleske, Lynn Farmer
10:30 am Laverne Schaal, Tom Jones, Greg Mauck
Acolytes: 8:00 am Zach Prevo & Hannah Prevo
9:15 am Kirk Salinas & Jordan Pierce
10:30 am Lucas Kearney & Brent Mauck
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