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Prelude

“We Praise Thee, O God”

Dale Wood

Hymn

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

LSB 821, sts. 1-2, 5

Invocation

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

C *Amen.*

Confession and Absolution

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.**

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

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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Kyrie (congregation please *sing* responses)

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C *Lord, have mercy.*

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C *Lord, have mercy.*

P 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 mercy.*

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C *Lord, have mercy.*

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C *Amen.*

This is the Feast

LSB 155

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever.

Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C *And also with you.*

P Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C *Amen.*

Sit

Their Lord had left them with the promise of the Holy Spirit's coming to them to empower them to be his witnesses. As they waited in Jerusalem, together with Jesus' mother and brothers, they devoted themselves to prayer. Under Peter's guidance, they elected one of their number to replace the betrayer, Judas Iscariot, and fill out their number. Their mission for Jesus lay ahead.

First Reading

Acts 1:12-26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away.

¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶“Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” ¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰“For it is written in the Book of Psalms, ““May his camp become desolate,

and let there be no one to dwell in it’;

and

“Let another take his office.’

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

adapt from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

P Christ has risen from the dead.

C [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,

P He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C he has put all things under his feet

Words from Jesus himself bring John's Revelation to a close. In this Lesson we hear the Lord's assurance that he is coming again. For those whom he will take into the new Jerusalem, the tree of life and the water of life will supply all their needs. There's only one way to respond – to say with Christians of all time, "Amen. Come, Lord Jesus."

Epistle

Revelation 22:1-6, 12-20

¹Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. ³No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. ⁴They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

⁶And he said to me, “These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place.”

¹²Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done.

¹³I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

¹⁴Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁵Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

¹⁶“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

¹⁷The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

¹⁸I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, ¹⁹and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

²⁰He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

We listen to the concluding words of our Lord's High Priestly Prayer in today's Holy Gospel. Jesus prays, not just for his apostles, but for those who would believe through their Gospel proclamation. He is praying for us – that we be united in faith and life, so we can accomplish the mission to which he has sent us.

Stand

Holy Gospel

John 17:20-26

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

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

²⁰[Jesus said:] “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe

in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C *Praise be to Thee, O Christ.*

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn

“Christ the Eternal Lord”

LSB 829

Sermon

Stand

Offertory (sung)

LSB 192

*What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the
name of the Lord.*

*I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the
Lord.*

*I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His
people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O
Jerusalem.*

Sit

Announcements & Record of Fellowship Is Shared

Offering

Organ Offertory

“Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God”

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.

Prayer of the Church

- P** Lord in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

Preface

LSB 160

- 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 meet, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (sung)

LSB 161

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth... one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 162

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
P O Lord Jesus Christ... So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

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.

Pax Domini

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei (sung)

LSB 163

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

Distribution

Our Teaching on the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Attending communion at our altar indicates agreement with the doctrine and teachings of Scripture that our Lutheran Church Missouri Synod confesses. Therefore, only confirmed members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod should come forward without first speaking to the pastor and being instructed. Thank you.

After the welcome, you may kneel or remain standing for the reception of the Lord's Supper. If you partake of our Lord's blood by individual cup, please hold it in plain view as the common cup passes.

Organ

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

Hymn

“O Lord, We Praise Thee”

LSB 617

Hymn

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

LSB 649

Organ

“Is Your All on the Altar?”

Stand

Thank the Lord (sung)

LSB 164

C *Thank the Lord and sing His praise;
tell ev'ryone what He has done.*

*Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.*

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.**

Salutation and Benedicamus (sung)

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.*

Hymn

“In Thee Is Gladness”

LSB 818

Postlude

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9:15 am John Polston, Rich Fanelli, Eric VanHovel
10:30 am Don Bareither, Jeff Allee, Robert Reid, Everett Spencer
Acolytes: 8:00 am Zach Prevo & Hannah Prevo
9:15 am Emily Love & Kesia White
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