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THE ORDER OF THE DIVINE SERVICE THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER January 28, 2024 8:00 AM

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN TO OPEN "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" LSB 528, vv. 1-4, 7 Please stand

INVOCATION

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the Son (♣) and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- **©** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **■** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.

CONFESSION

- P Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.

ABSOLUTION

- People of God, I have good news for you! Know with joy that upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.





C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Glory to God in the Highest)



2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa-ther's Son, we pray; 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth! O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (Collect)

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 sit

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 18:15-20

15"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— 16 just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' 17 And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. 18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall

speak to them all that I command him. ¹⁹And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. ²⁰But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die."

- P This is the Word of the Lord
- **C** Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

¹Concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. ²If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. ³But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

⁴Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." ⁵For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"— ⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience,

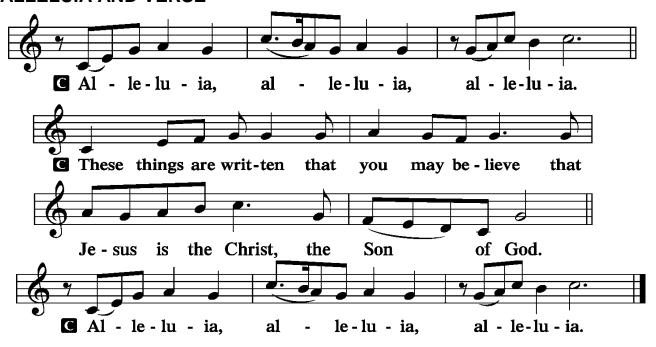
being weak, is defiled. 8Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this right of vours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. 10 For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? 11 And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. ¹²Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother

"Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

- P This is the Word of the Lord
- Thanks be to God.

Please stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



GOSPEL READING Mark 1:21-28

²¹They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. ²²And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴"What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying

out with a loud voice, came out of him.
²⁷And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."
²⁸And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' 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 sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN "'Away from Us!' the Demon Cried" LSB 541 (Tune: LSB 348)

SERMON The Rev. Rex Longshore

TITHES & OFFERING "It is Well with My Soul" Trinity Choir

Please stand

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

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

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

- P The Lord be with you.
- **⚠** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and beneficial...evermore praising You and saying:





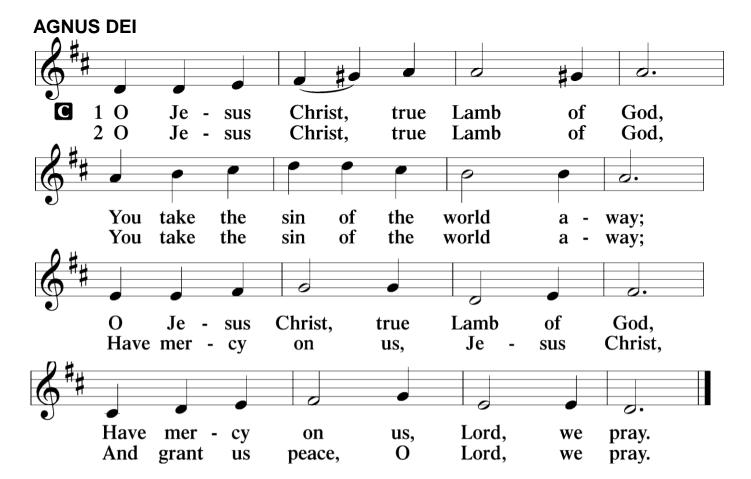
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

G Amen

Please sit



COMMUNION HYMNS

"Jesus Comes Today with Healing" LSB 620
"O God, My Faithful God" LSB 696

DISMISSAL

- The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in the one true faith to life everlasting. Depart in peace.
- C Amen.

BENEDICTION

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.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Son of God, Eternal Savior" LSB 842

- P Go in peace and serve the Lord.
- **☐** Thanks be to God!

* * * TO GOD BE THE GLORY * * *

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Music Nancy Simonson, Organist; Trinity Choir
Elder Curt Becher
Worship Assistants Larry Schreck, Steve Zimmerman
Greeters Chrysteena & Dan Saehler, Tammy Schwichtenberg
Ushers Jim Cross, Vernon Cross, Wayne Dalluge
Soundboard Brian Anderson

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