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# LWML SERVICE PROCLAIMING CHRIST AND SHARING THE GOSPEL October 4 & 5, 2025 5:30 PM & 8:00 AM

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN "O Christ, Our True and Only Light"** *LSB* 839, sts. 1-5

# Please stand

### **INVOCATION**

- P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son+, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen
- P. Our help is in the name of the Lord
- C. Who made heaven and earth.

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- P. Let us confess our sin to God, our merciful 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 punishment now and forever. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, we pray that You will have mercy on us. Forgive us, and lead us so that we may do Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen
- P. Brothers and sisters, I have good news for you! 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, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son+, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen

# HYMN OF PRAISE "Gloria in Excelsis – Glory to God in the Highest" LSB p. 154

P. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



# SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

- P. Together, let us pray:
- C. Almighty God, You have called Your church to witness that in Christ You have reconciled us to Yourself. You see us as Your dearly loved and redeemed children. May we, through the work of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the good news of Your salvation so that all who hear it may receive the gift of salvation. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen

# Please sit

#### OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 62:1-7

<sup>1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. <sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name, that the mouth of the LORD will give. <sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup>You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your

**EPISTLE READING** Romans 10:11-17

<sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to

land shall be married. <sup>5</sup>For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you. <sup>6</sup>On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have set watchmen; all the day and all the night they shall never be silent. You who put the LORD in remembrance, take no rest, <sup>7</sup>and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it a praise in the earth.

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

hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

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

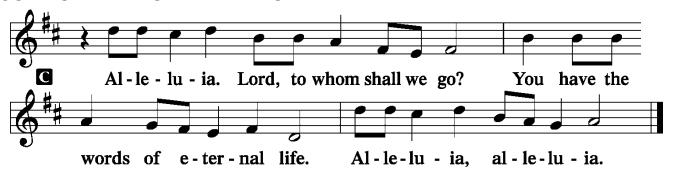
**PSALM 67** (to be read responsively, whole verse by whole verse)

- P. May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us.
- C. That Your Way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations.
- P. Let the peoples praise You, O God, let all the peoples praise You!
- C. Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon the earth.
- P. Let the peoples praise You, O God, let all the peoples praise You!
- C. The earth has yielded its increase, God, our God, shall bless us. God shall bless us, let all the ends of the earth fear Him!

All: 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

# Please stand

#### COMMON ALLELUIA AND VERSE



## **HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 24:44-53

- P. The Holy Gospel according to St Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
- C. Glory to You, Lord.

<sup>44</sup>Then [Jesus] said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins

should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

<sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things.

<sup>49</sup>And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

<sup>50</sup>Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them.

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<sup>51</sup>While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, <sup>53</sup>and were continually in the temple blessing God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to You, O Christ.

# Please sit

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

SERMON HYMN "Spread the Reign of God, the Lord" LSB 830, sts. 1-6

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SERMON "We Should Not Make It Difficult" (Acts: 15:12-21)

The Rev. Peter Gueldner

# CANTICLE "Serve the Lord with Gladness" Tune: LSB 662

1. "Serve the Lord with gladness!"

It is He alone

Who redeemed us sinners,

Guides us as His own

To enjoy the blessings

Of His love and grace,

Will at last in glory

Meet us face to face.

Onward, then, for Jesus!

Let this be our aim:

"Serve the Lord with gladness!"

Glorify His name.

3. "Serve the Lord with gladness!"

There's no greater joy

Than to serve the Master,

Work in His employ.

As we build His kingdom

Angels, too, rejoice

Over every sinner

Brought to hear His voice.

Onward, then, for Jesus!

Let this be our aim:

"Serve the Lord with gladness!"

Glorify His name!

2. "Serve the Lord with gladness!"

He gave us command

To proclaim His Gospel

Now in every land

So that fellow sinners

May, like us, be blest.

Leading them to Jesus,

We can serve Him best.

Onward, then, for Jesus!

Let this be our aim:

"Serve the Lord with gladness!"

Glorify His name!

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# Please stand

#### **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 sit

# **TITHES AND OFFERINGS** 8:00 ONLY – "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Trinity Handbells *Please stand*

# LITANY OF REPENTANCE AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS TO BE PROCLAIMED TO ALL NATIONS

- P. "Repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations." Luke 24:47. We are called to speak in the name of Jesus.
- C. The Lord has chosen us to be in His Kingdom, and He has called us to be His witnesses.
- P. "Go, into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation." Mark 16:15. We hear the call to mission.
- C. Here I am, Lord. Send me.
- P. "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth. "Acts 1:8 We are empowered to testify of God's greatness.
- C. Here I am, Lord. Send me.
- P. "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Romans 10:15. We are called to bring good news to the broken-hearted.
- C. Here I am, Lord. Send me.
- P. "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life" John 3:16.
- C. Here I am, Lord. Send me.

- P. "Surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:20. God promises to be with us in the mission.
- C. Here I am, Lord. Send me. *Please stand*

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P. Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray. Hear us as we pray as You have taught us:

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

#### **LUTHERAN WOMEN MISSION PLEDGE**

- P. Since 1942, when the Lutheran Women's Missionary League was started, Lutheran Women in Mission have joined as congregations, zones and districts to support the mission work of the church through their activities, prayers and the collecting of "mites". Through the years, millions of dollars of these "mites" have funded mission projects throughout our country and throughout the world. At each League meeting, the women pledge their determination and willingness to serve in whatever ways the Lord leads them by reciting the League Pledge. I invite you to join together now in reading the League Pledge for Lutheran Women in Mission, for this pledge is one we all should make as we see opportunities for the mission of Proclaiming Christ and Sharing the Gospel.
- C. In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption, we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voices to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen

#### BENEDICTION

- P. Let us bless the Lord.
- C. Thanks be to God.
- 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.

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

C. Amen

# Please sit

CLOSING HYMN "Lift High the Cross " LSB 837 sts. 1-6

- P. Go in peace and serve the Lord.
- C. Thanks be to God.

\* \* \* To God Be the Glory \* \* \*

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