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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD

THE ORDER OF THE DIVINE SERVICE I
THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR
November 21 & 22, 2026

WELCOME

HYMN "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" *LSB* 516, sts. 1-3

INVOCATION

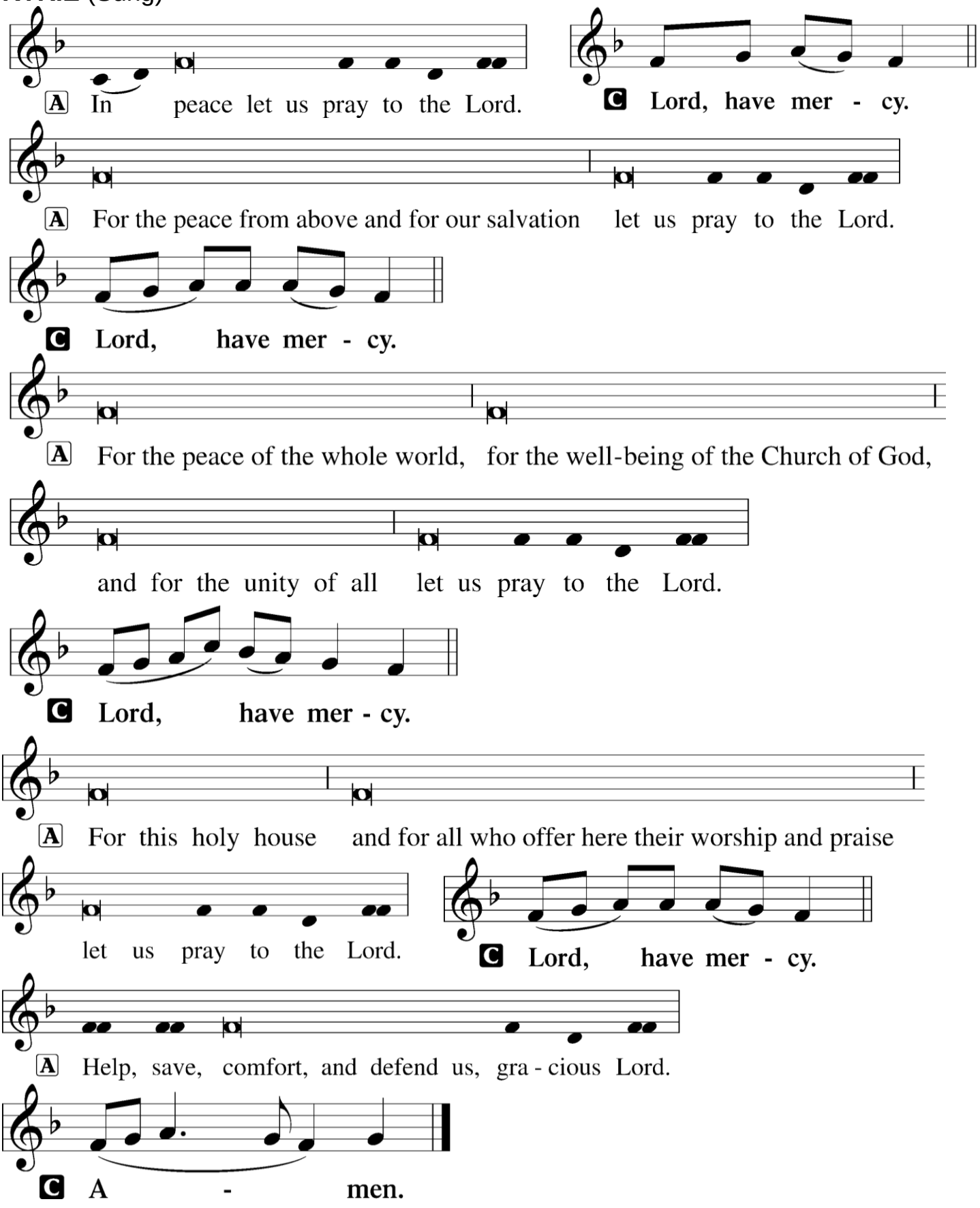
P. In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C. Amen.

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.

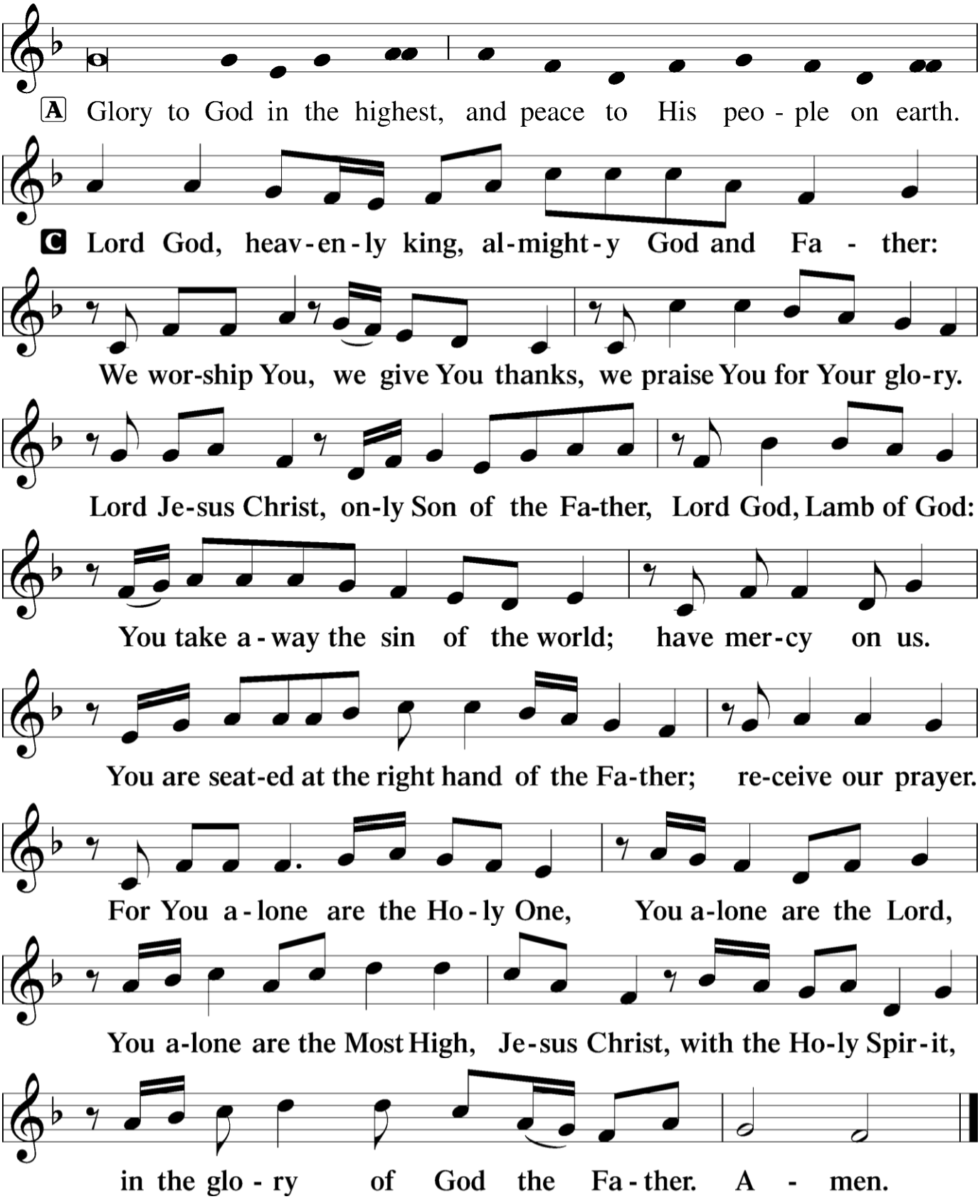
P. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
C. Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors 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 (Sung)


A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mer - cy.
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mer - cy.
A 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 mer - cy.
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise
let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mer - cy.
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.
C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE "Gloria in Excelsis – Glory to God in the Highest"



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

P. Let us pray. Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C. Amen.

FIRST READING 1 Kings 21:1-16

1 Now Naboth the Jezreelite had a
vineyard in Jezreel, beside the palace of
Ahab king of Samaria. 2 And after this
Ahab said to Naboth, “Give me your
vineyard, that I may have it for a
vegetable garden, because it is near my
house, and I will give you a better
vineyard for it; or, if it seems good to
you, I will give you its value in money.”
3 But Naboth said to Ahab, “The LORD
forbid that I should give you the
inheritance of my fathers.” 4 And Ahab
went into his house vexed and sullen
because of what Naboth the Jezreelite
had said to him, for he had said, “I will
not give you the inheritance of my
fathers.” And he lay down on his bed
and turned away his face and would eat
no food.
5 But Jezebel his wife came to him and
said to him, “Why is your spirit so vexed
that you eat no food?” 6 And he said to
her, “Because I spoke to Naboth the
Jezreelite and said to him, ‘Give me
your vineyard for money, or else, if it
please you, I will give you another
vineyard for it.’ And he answered, ‘I will
not give you my vineyard.’”
7 And Jezebel his wife said to him, “Do
you now govern Israel? Arise and eat
bread and let your heart be cheerful; I
will give you the vineyard of Naboth the
Jezreelite.”
8 So she wrote letters in Ahab’s name
and sealed them with his seal, and she
sent the letters to the elders and the
leaders who lived with Naboth in his city.
9 And she wrote in the letters, “Proclaim
a fast, and set Naboth at the head of the
people. 10 And set two worthless men
opposite him, and let them bring a
charge against him, saying, ‘You have
cursed God and the king.’ Then take
him out and stone him to death.” 11 And
the men of his city, the elders and the
leaders who lived in his city, did as
Jezebel had sent word to them. As it
was written in the letters that she had
sent to them, 12 they proclaimed a fast
and set Naboth at the head of the
people. 13 And the two worthless men
came in and sat opposite him. And the
worthless men brought a charge against
Naboth in the presence of the people,
saying, “Naboth cursed God and the
king.” So they took him outside the city
and stoned him to death with stones.
14 Then they sent to Jezebel, saying,
“Naboth has been stoned; he is dead.”

(continued…)

15 As soon as Jezebel heard that Naboth had been stoned and was dead, Jezebel said to Ahab, “Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give you for money, for Naboth is not alive, but dead.” 16 And as soon as Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, Ahab arose to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.

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

PSALM 130:1-8 *(read responsively)*

P. 1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!

C. 2 O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

P. 3 If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

C. 4 But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

P. 5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

C. 6 my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

P. 7 O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.

C. 8 And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

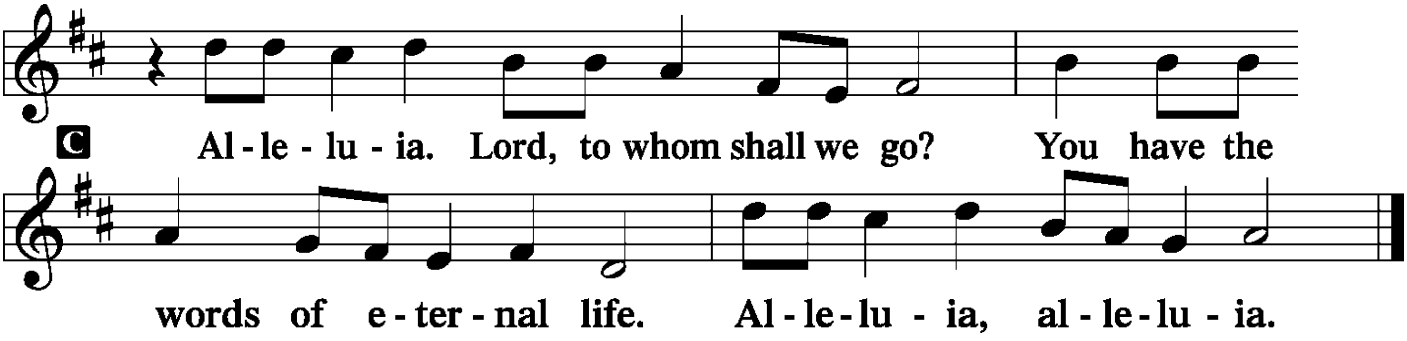
All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

SECOND READING 1 John 2:15-17

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride in possessions—is not from the Father but is from the world. 17 And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

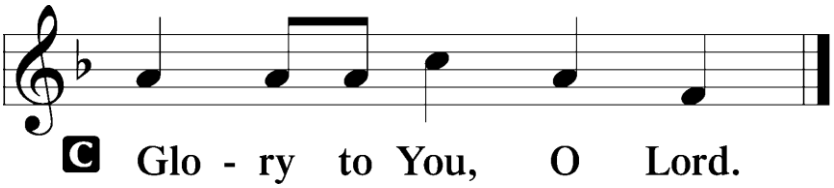
P. This is the Word of the Lord
C. Thanks be to God.

COMMON ALLELUIA AND VERSE



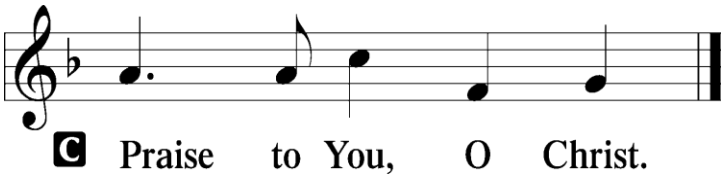
GOSPEL READING Matthew 15:10-20

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.



10 And he called the people to him and
said to them, “Hear and understand: 11 it
is not what goes into the mouth that
defiles a person, but what comes out of
the mouth; this defiles a person.” 12 Then
the disciples came and said to him, “Do
you know that the Pharisees were
offended when they heard this saying?”
13 He answered, “Every plant that my
heavenly Father has not planted will be
rooted up. 14 Let them alone; they are
blind guides. And if the blind lead the
blind, both will fall into a pit.” 15 But Peter
said to him, “Explain the parable to us.”
16 And he said, “Are you also still without
understanding? 17 Do you not see that
whatever goes into the mouth passes
into the stomach and is expelled? 18 But
what comes out of the mouth proceeds
from the heart, and this defiles a person.
19 For out of the heart come evil
thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual
immorality, theft, false witness, slander.
20 These are what defile a person. But to
eat with unwashed hands does not
defile anyone.”

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THE TEN COMMANDMENTS – THE NINTH AND TENTH COMMANDMENTS

P. You shall not covet your neighbor’s house. You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his manservant or maidservant, or his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. What does this mean?

C. We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor’s inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it. Likewise, we should not entice or force away our neighbor’s wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

APOSTLE’S CREED *(see inside back cover of hymnal or screens)*

TITHES & OFFERING (10:30) – "Look at the World" *Special Trinity Choir*

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN "What Is the World to Me" *LSB* 730, sts. 1-4

SERMON *The Rev. Alex Sloter*

HYMN "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face.
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
in the light of His glory and grace. *(Repeat verse)*

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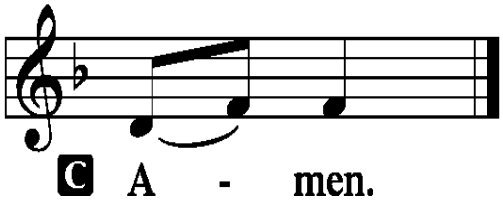
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

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.



HYMN "All Depends on Our Possessing" *LSB* 732, sts. 1-6

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

*** * * TO GOD BE THE GLORY * * ***

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