

**Baby Shower for
Jessica Woods TODAY**

We will be holding a baby shower for Jessica Woods in honor of Erika (born March 23) after the Bible Class/Sunday School hour this morning. Join us!

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK

<i>Door offering for the King family</i>		
SUNDAY MAY 3	Lutheran Hour on KBBW - 1010 AM / 105.7 FM	7:30 AM
	Divine Service with Holy Communion	9:00 AM
	Sunday School, Youth & Adult Bible Classes	10:30 AM
	Baby Shower for Jessica Woods	11:45 AM
MONDAY MAY 4	Confirmation 1	5:00 PM
WEDNESDAY MAY 6	Confirmation 3	5 - 6:25 PM
	Wednesday Bible Study	6:30 - 7:30 PM
THURSDAY MAY 7	Lutheran Ladies Lunch Bunch @ Tru Jamacia	11:30 AM
FRIDAY MAY 8	Pastor's Day of Rest	
SUNDAY MAY 10	Lutheran Hour on KBBW - 1010 AM / 105.7 FM	7:30 AM
	Divine Service with Holy Communion	9:00 AM
	Bake Sale (and after Bible Class)	
	Sunday School, Youth & Adult Bible Classes	10:30 AM
	Greenview Manor	2:00 PM

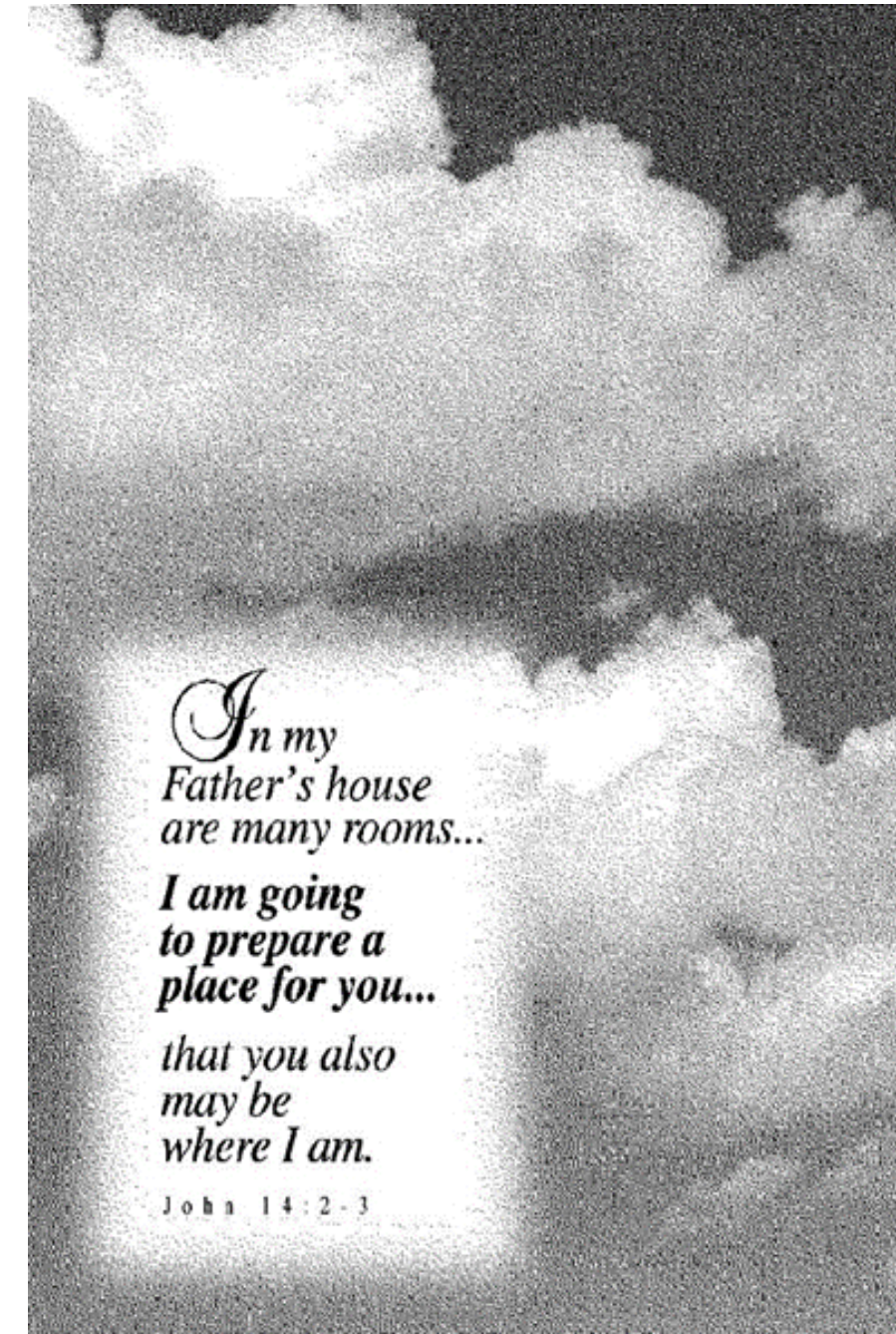
LIFE THOUGHT - The truth of God's Word is not always welcomed by "stiff-necked people" who "resist the Holy Spirit," and even become enraged at hearing the truth. Stephen faithfully proclaimed that Word even though it led to his martyrdom (Acts 7:51, 59-60). Many angry voices today demand unfettered access to abortion or physician-assisted suicide. But we must continue to sound the trumpet of truth, for only the power of God's Word can open the eyes of the blind and execute justice for the oppressed (Psalm 146:7-8). It is the narrow road of faith in Jesus Christ, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, that gives us access to our Father in heaven (John 14:6). Baptized into Christ, we are living stones, being built up into a spiritual house, that we may proclaim the Good News of the One who calls us out of darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:5, 9).



LIFE QUOTE - "When Jesus returns, all who believe in Him will be raised up from death to live in His presence forever. That is the promise of His enduring, steadfast love: 'I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ' (Philippians 1:6). The purpose of God for us will be fulfilled!"

Dr. Carol Geisler, Lutheran Hour Ministries

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026



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Our Mission Statement: *Learning, Living and Sharing Christ's Love*

A LOVING WORD TO THOSE GUESTS WHO WISH TO COMMUNE



On Maundy Thursday we remember our Savior's institution of the new covenant of His body and blood. On the eve of His suffering and death, the Lamb of God thought of us and cared for us, even to the giving of this extraordinary gift by such ordinary means. As His gift is received this evening, we also remember His care and concern for the truths of God's Word. Believing that the Bible clearly sets forth doctrinal unity for those receiving the sacrament together, we practice closed communion and ask guests desiring to commune to kindly speak with the pastor before the service.

Prayer before communing:

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Lord Jesus, in Your Holy Supper You give us Your true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. May partakers of this sacred banquet do so in a worthy manner. Grant faith and discernment in accordance with the Holy Scriptures. Let all recipients of this gift be united in the confession and faith as they receive Your gifts at Your altar and leave confessing Your name until You come again. Amen.

Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament:

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

SERVING US TODAY

Rev. Peter Kolb, Pastor

Bradley Phillips, Elder

Sharon Koester, Organist

Kerri Elizabeth Robinson, Violinist

Anthony Breeland, Acolyte

LECTIONARY SUMMARY FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60
1 Peter 2:2-10

Psalm 146
John 14:1-14

The Lord Jesus Christ Is the Way, the Truth and the Life

The risen Lord Jesus alone is "the way, and the truth, and the life," and we come "to the Father" only through Him (John 14:6). God is thus "glorified in the Son," and those who believe in Him will do the works of Christ because He goes to the Father for us (John 14:12-14). Stephen, "a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 6:5) and "doing great wonders and signs among the people" (Acts 6:8), did the works of Christ. When he was falsely accused and put to death, he "gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God" (Acts 7:55). Fixing his hope there, he commended his spirit to the Lord Jesus and prayed for his murderers. In the same way, all the baptized are called to follow the example of Christ Jesus by faith. Though He was "rejected by men" in the sight of God, He is "chosen and precious" (1 Peter 2:4). He is the chief cornerstone of the Father's "spiritual house," and we are built upon Him as "living stones" (1 Peter 2:5).

SERVING US TODAY

Greeters
Rich Hagan
Carol Hagan

Ushers
Bill Tucker
Larry Slagel

Money Counters
Kim Crunk
Kellie Kellum

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

Rev. Peter Kolb, Pastor
Stephanie Christiano, Organist

Larry Slagel, Elder
Caleb Mehler, Acolyte

Greeters
Carol Harper
Karla Tanksley

Ushers
Bradley Phillips
Michael Mehler
Ethan Mehler
Chris Kolb

Money Counters
Susanne Mehler
Jonah Mehler
Naomi Mehler



LAST WEEK AT ST. MARK

Worship Attendance	
Sunday Divine Worship	100
Tithes & Offerings	
General Offering	\$ 1,668.00
Bible Class	36.00
Undesignated Memorial - Josh Hardwick	25.00



"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." 1 Peter 2:9 – God has called us to be His own. He has chosen us out of love, out of mercy, out of sheer, divine joy. The apostle Peter says that God chose us so that we might share in His glory and "proclaim the excellencies of Him" who has made us His own. And truly, this is our delight! His joy brings joy to our hearts as well.





Bake Sale NEXT SUNDAY
 LWML & the Assimilation and Stewardship Board will be having a Bake Sale following worship and after the Bible Class/Sunday School hour. Monies will be divided between Rev. Chris Yang, Missionary to Taiwan, and church maintenance.

COMMUNITY Concert
Baylor University Men's Choir
Taylor Sterzing will be singing

Sunday, May 3 - 3:30 p.m.
 First Baptist Church, Waco

Baylor Singing Seniors
Carol Harper will be singing

2026 Spring Concert
*Celebrating our Country
 Glorifying the Trinity*

Sunday, May 3 - 4 p.m.
 Woodway UMC
 (12000 Woodway Dr.)

Lutheran Ladies Lunch Bunch
 All ladies of St. Mark are invited to join us for **Lutheran Ladies Lunch Bunch (LLB)** as we join for food and fellowship!

Thursday, May 7 - 11:30 a.m.
Tru Jamaica
 937 Taylor St.

Evening Edition
Thursday, May 21 - 5:30 p.m.
Taqueria El Mexicano Bar & Grill
 10207 China Spring Rd.

HAPPY Birthday	Stephanie Mahder	5/3
	Thalia Woods	5/3
	Cheyenne Phillips	5/7
	Ida Luedke	5/8
	Tara McGurgan	5/9
	Lori Smith	5/9


Chris & Judy Brown 5/3 *Happy ANNIVERSARY*

Baptism BIRTHDAYS	Mark Ramos	5/4
	Brenda Slagel	5/9



Ascension Divine Service
May 14 ~ 6:30 p.m.

We will also have an Ice Cream Social following the service in the Fellowship Hall.



Altar Flowers are placed this morning to the glory of God by Stan & Barbara Cook in thanksgiving for their 29th wedding anniversary.



Matins / Divine Service Three

Bells

Welcome

✠ Corporate Confession and Absolution ✠

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

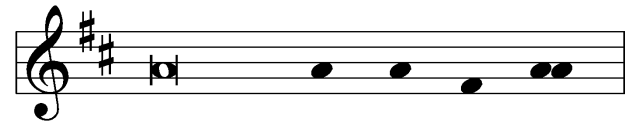
- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the 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.

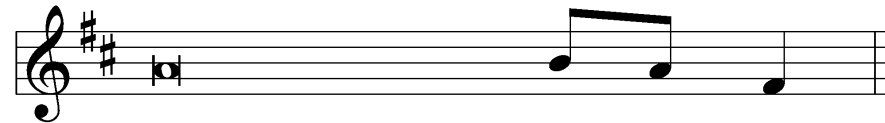
- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P** 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.



✠ Order of Matins ✠

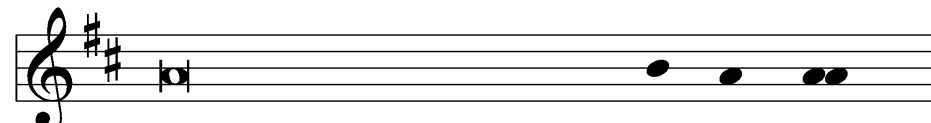


L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

Psalm 51:15



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.

Psalm 70:1



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Benedicamus

LSB 202

- A** 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 upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen, amen, amen.

Now the Light Has Gone Away

LSB 887



- 1 Now the light has gone a - way; Fa - ther, lis - ten while I pray,
- 2 Je - sus, Sav - ior, wash a - way All that has been wrong to - day;
- 3 Let my near and dear ones be Al - ways near and dear to Thee;
- 4 Now my eve - ning praise I give; Thou didst die that I might live.
- 5 Thou, my best and kind - est Friend, Thou wilt love me to the end.



Ask - ing Thee to watch and keep And to send me qui - et sleep.
 Help me ev - 'ry day to be Good and gen - tle, more like Thee.
 O bring me and all I love To Thy hap - py home a - bove.
 All my bless - ings come from Thee; Oh, how good Thou art to me!
 Let me love Thee more and more, Al - ways bet - ter than be - fore.

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**Door Offering for Travis King Family
 Following Worship**

Please prayerfully consider donating to these members of our St. Mark family as they
 continue to provide for the needs of Carter and themselves.

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Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
 cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- C** and His mercy endureth forever.
- A** 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 in 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.
- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And with thy spirit.

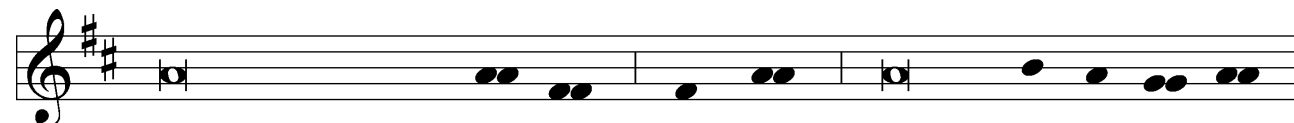
Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.
L Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.
C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite ~ O Come, Let Us Sing

Psalm 95:1-7

LSB 220

C 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
 2 For the Lord is a great God
 3 The sea is His, for He made it,
 5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
 3 and His hand formed the dry - land.
 5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;
 1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
 2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
 3 O come, let us worship and bow - down,
 4 For He is our God,
 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,
 1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
 2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
 3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



L Blessed be God, the Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it.



C O come, let us wor-ship Him.

Collect of the Day

P O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; 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

✠ Service of the Word ✠

First Reading

Acts 6:1–9; 7:2a, 51–60

¹Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. ²And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. ³Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. ⁴But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” ⁵And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

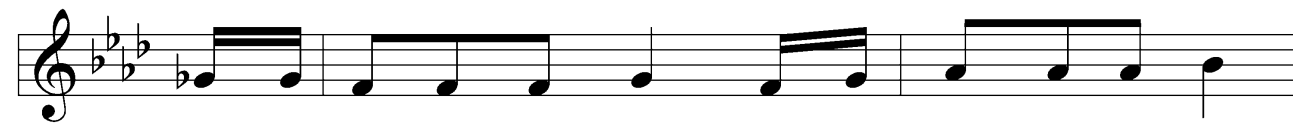
⁷And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

⁸And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people. ⁹Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and disputed with Stephen. . . .

²And Stephen said:

“Brothers and fathers, hear me. . . .

⁵¹You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. ⁵²Which of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, ⁵³you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it.”



Joy-ous shel-ter of love, Gra-cious friend from a-bove,
So that all the e-lect— All in Christ—may ex-pect
For in Je-sus, God’s Son, All be-liev-ers are one
On-ly You can make whole All that trou-bles our soul;



In Your care we are rest-ing, se-rene.
To en-joy what by grace they be-lieve.
In this wash-ing that cleans-es from sin.
By Your chris-m, Christ’s tri-umph we share.

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The Church’s One Foundation

LSB 644



1 The Church’s one foun-da-tion Is Je-sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E-lect from ev-’ry na-tion, Yet one o’er all the earth;
3 Though with a scorn-ful won-der The world sees her op-pressed,
4 Through toil and trib-u-la-tion And tu-mult of her war
5 Yet she on earth has u-nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre-a-tion By wa-ter and the Word.
Her char-ter of sal-va-tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
By schisms rent a-sun-der, By her-e-sies dis-tressed,
She waits the con-sum-ma-tion Of peace for-ev-er-more
And mys-tic sweet com-mu-nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav’n He came and sought her To be His ho-ly bride;
One ho-ly name she bless-es, Par-takes one ho-ly food,
Yet saints their watch are keep-ing; Their cry goes up, “How long?”
Till with the vi-sion glo-rious Her long-ing eyes are blest,
O bless-ed heav’n-ly cho-rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
And to one hope she press-es With ev-’ry grace en-dued.
And soon the night of weep-ing Shall be the morn of song.
And the great Church vic-to-rious Shall be the Church at rest.
That we, like saints be-fore us, May see You face to face.

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1 Ho - ly Spir - it, the dove sent from heav - en,
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, the fire ce - les - tial,
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, the unc - tion of bless - ing,
 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, the wind of great pow - er,



Ev - er one with the One who is Three,
 Who on Pen - te - cost came as fore - told,
 Sa - cred oil of the green ol - ive tree,
 Source of strength and of peace and of love,



From the Fa - ther You came, Words of peace to pro - claim,
 To de - scend from on high And the Church oc - cu - py
 Giv - ing heat, giv - ing light, As the tent lamps ig - nite
 Tru - est Com - fort - er, plead, As You bring all our need



Come and com - fort us, speak ten - der - ly.
 As the cloud filled the tem - ple of old;
 And as Aar - on praised God joy - ful - ly.
 To the throne of God's glo - ry a - bove.



You, the fra - grance of life we are seek - ing;
 All the bap - tized You seal with Your prom - ise,
 Bless - ed liv - ing and life - giv - ing wa - ter,
 Be the light that en - light - ens the Scrip - tures;



Fill Your tem - ple, Your al - tar make clean.
 All be - liev - ers Your gift there re - ceive,
 Now pre - serve us from e - vil with - in;
 Keep our feet from each dev - il - ish snare;

⁵⁴Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. ⁵⁵But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶And he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." ⁵⁷But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. ⁵⁸Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Peter 2:2-10

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in Scripture:

"Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
 a cornerstone chosen and precious,
 and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected
 has become the cornerstone,"

⁸and

"A stone of stumbling,
 and a rock of offense."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

John 14:1-14

¹[Jesus said:] "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

⁸Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

¹²"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. ¹³Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it."

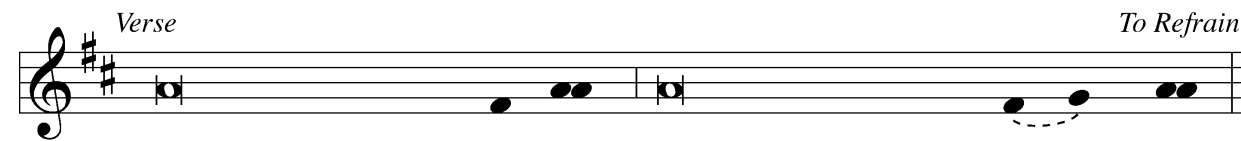
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C Thanks be to God.

Responsory

Psalm 119:89; 26:8; Luke 11:28

LSB 221



L 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep— it.
3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.



C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

Sit

Sermon

I AM The Way

Stand

Built on the Rock

LSB 645



1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when
2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most
3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for His
4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, Tell - ing how
5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the



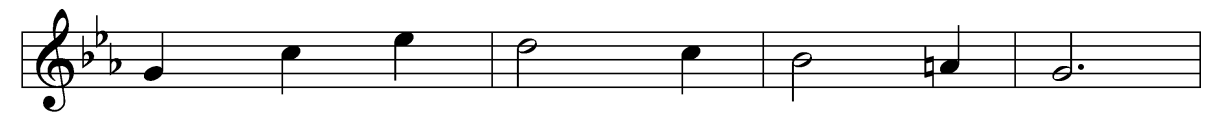
stee - ples are fall - ing. Crum - bled have spires in
High, is not dwell - ing; High a - bove earth His
own hab - i - ta - tion. He through bap - tis - mal
God has re - ceived us. The al - tar re - calls Christ's
church bells are ring - ing, Man - y in sav - ing



ev - 'ry land; Bells still are chim - ing and call -
tem - ple stands, All earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel -
grace us owns Heirs of His won - drous sal - va -
sac - ri - fice And what His Sup - per here gives
faith may come Where Christ His mes - sage is bring -



ing, Call - ing the young and old to rest,
ling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n a - bove
tion. Were we but two His name to tell,
us. Here sound the Scrip - tures that pro - claim
ing: "I know My own; My own know Me.



But a - bove all the souls dis - tressed,
Choos - es to live with us in love,
Yet He would deign with us to dwell
Christ yes - ter - day, to - day, the same,
You, not the world, My face shall see.

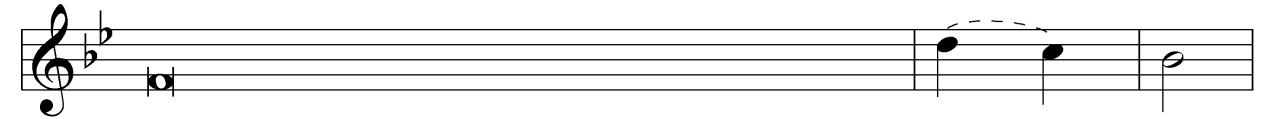


Long - ing for rest ev - er - last - ing.
Mak - ing our bod - ies His tem - ple.
With all His grace and His fa - vor.
And ev - er - more, our Re - deem - er.
My peace I leave with you. A - men."

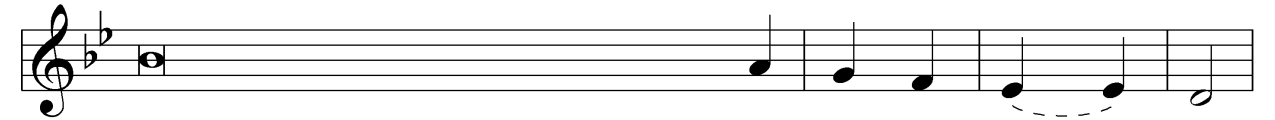
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- 5 Though reason cannot understand,
 Yet faith this truth embraces:
 Your body, Lord, is even now
 At once in many places.
 I leave to You how this can be;
 Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unfailing.
- 6 Lord, I believe what You have said;
 Help me when doubts assail me.
 Remember that I am but dust,
 And let my faith not fail me.
 Your supper in this vale of tears
 Refreshes me and stills my fears
 And is my priceless treasure.
- 7 Grant that we worthily receive
 Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
 And, truly grieving for our sins,
 May prove by our behavior
 That we are thankful for Your grace
 And day by day may run our race,
 In holiness increasing.
- 8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
 Be praised throughout all ages!
 Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
 The world against it rages.
 Grant that this sacrament may be
 A blessed comfort unto me
 When living and when dying.

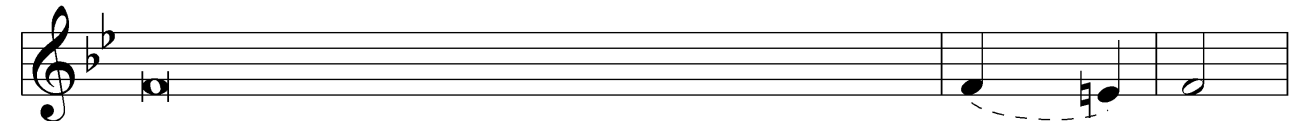
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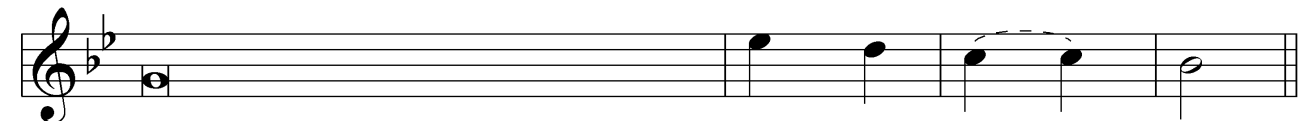
- 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
- 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
- 3 The noble army of martyrs praise — You.



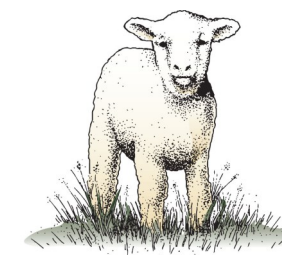
- 1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.
- 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.
- 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:

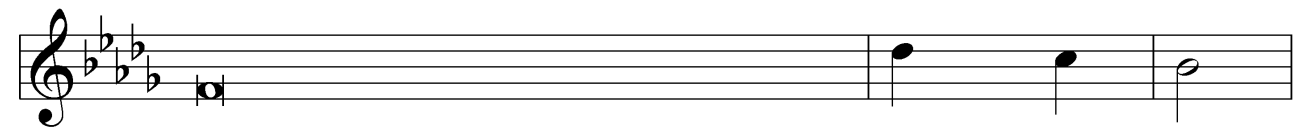


- 1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.
- 2 The glorious company of the apostles praise — You.
- 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;
- 4 You are the king of glory, O — Christ;

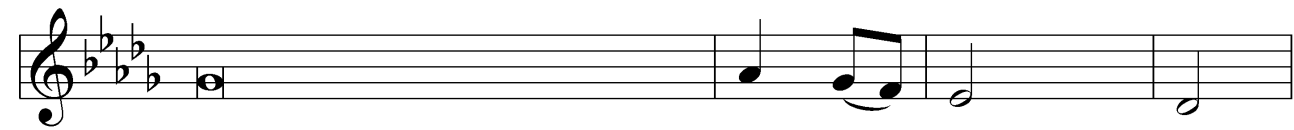


- 1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:
- 2 The goodly fellowship of the proph-ets praise — You.
- 3 also the Holy Ghost, the Com-fort - er.
- 4 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa - ther.

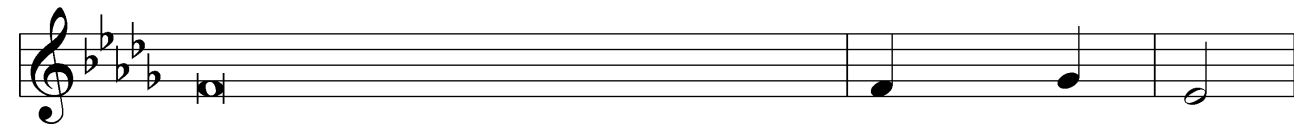




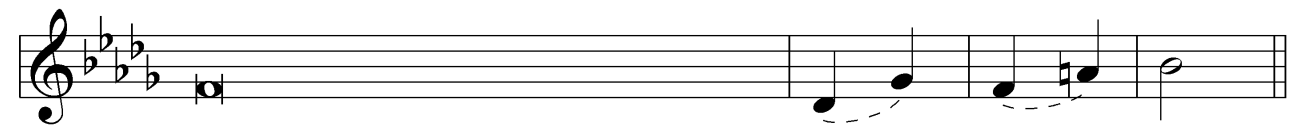
5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,
6 You sit at the right hand of God



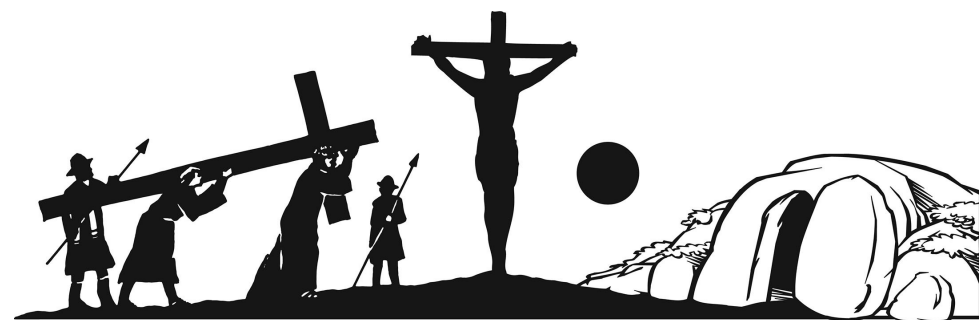
5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



5 When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
6 We believe that You will come



5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be our judge.



Distribution Hymns:

Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

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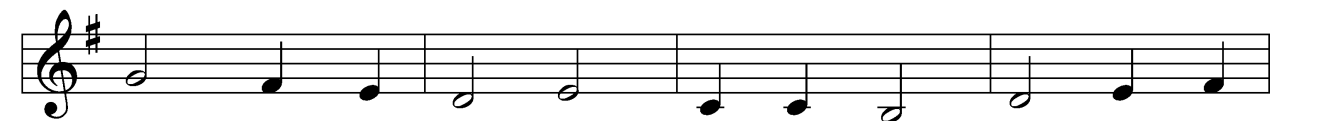
1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y




and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning,
pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

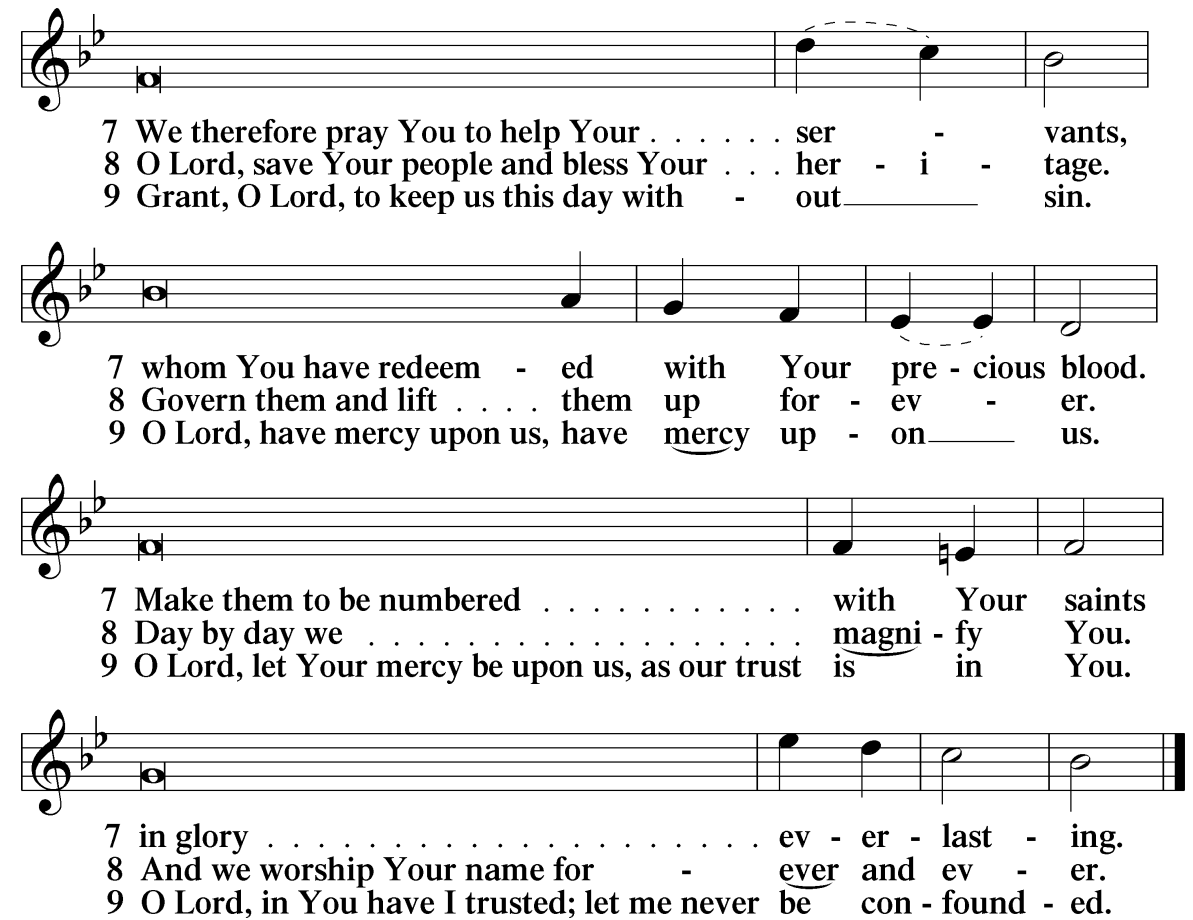
Amen.

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

G Amen.

Sit



7 We therefore pray You to help Your ser - vants,
8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.
9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.
7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.
8 Govern them and lift them up for - ev - er.
9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.
7 Make them to be numbered with Your saints
8 Day by day we magni - fy You.
9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.
7 in glory ev - er - last - ing.
8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.
9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

Offering

The offering plate will be passed down the pews, or you may place them in the plate at the door.

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Prayer of the Church

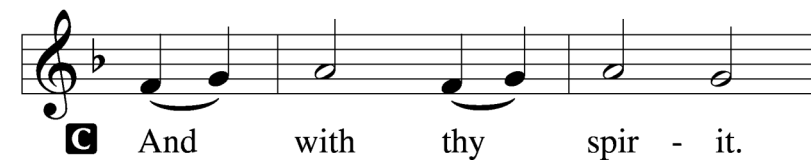
✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

Preface

Divine Service, Setting Three *LSB 194*

P The Lord be with you.

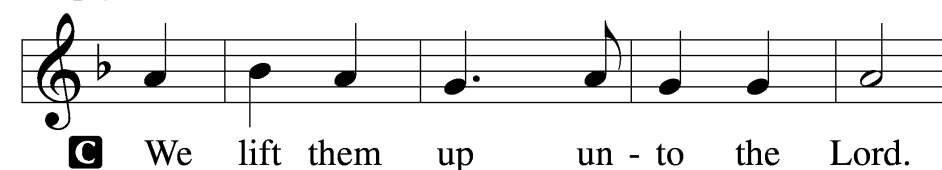
2 Timothy 4:22



G And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1



G We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

Psalm 136



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus ~ Holy, Holy, Holy

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



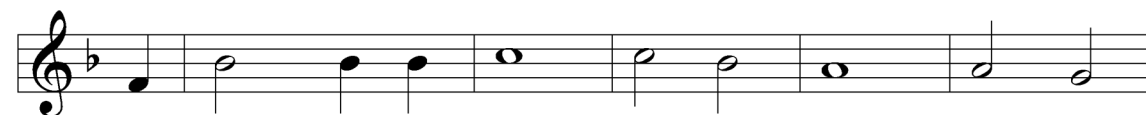
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

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P 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.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:59-38; Mark 14:22-24
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

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P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My \ddagger body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My \ddagger blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini ~ The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.