

# **Immanuel Lutheran Church**

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# Hymn of Invocation: 583 God Has Spoken by His Prophets

LSB 583



- 1 God has spo-ken by His proph-ets, Spo-ken His un-chang-ing Word;
- 2 God has spo-ken by Christ Je sus, Christ, the ev-er last ing Son,
- 3 God is speak-ing by His Spir it, Speak-ing to our hearts a gain,



Each from age to age pro-claim-ing God, the one, the righ-teous Lord. Bright-ness of the Fa-ther's glo-ry, With the Fa-ther ev-er one; In the age-less Word de-clar-ing His own mes-sage, now as then.



In the world's de-spair and tur-moil, One firm an - chor holds us fast: Spo - ken by the Word In - car-nate, God of God, be - fore time was; Through the rise and fall of na-tions One sure faith yet stand-ing fast;



God is king, His throne e - ter - nal; God the first, and God the last. Light of Light, to earth de-scend-ing, He re-veals our God to us. God a-bides, His Word un-chang-ing; God the first, and God the last.

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#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

#### Stand

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

#### **Invocation**

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 184

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,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

Confession of Sins LSB 184

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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.

Absolution LSB 185

- 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.

#### SERVICE OF THE WORD

# Introit (Sung by the Liturgist.)

Introit



You will arise and have pity on | Zion;\*

it is the time to favor her; the appointed | time has come.

Let this be recorded for a genera- | tion to come,\*

so that a people yet to be created may | praise the LORD:

that he looked down from his | holy height;\*

from heaven the LORD looked | at the earth,

to hear the groans of the | prisoners,\*

to set free those who were | doomed to die,

that they may declare in Zion the name | of the LORD,\*

and in Jerusa- | lem his praise,

when peoples gather to- | gether,\*

and kingdoms, to wor- | ship the LORD.

Gloria Patri LSB 186



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie LSB 186



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



Gloria in Excelsis LSB 187



### Salutation and Collect of the Day

Epiphany 3



P Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

# **Old Testament Reading**

Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10

<sup>1</sup> All the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel. <sup>2</sup>So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. <sup>3</sup>And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law. . . .

<sup>5</sup>And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. <sup>6</sup>And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their

hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. . . .

<sup>8</sup>They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

<sup>9</sup>And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

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

# Psalm (Sung responsively.)

Psalm 19:7-14



<sup>7</sup>The law of the LORD is perfect, reviv- | ing the soul;\* the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the | simple; 8the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing | the heart;\* the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening | the eyes; <sup>9</sup>the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for- | ever;\* the just decrees of the LORD are true, and righteous alto- | gether. <sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold, even | much fine gold;\* sweeter also than honey and drippings of the | honeycomb.

<sup>11</sup>Moreover, by them is your | servant warned;\* in keeping them there is | great reward.

<sup>12</sup>Who can dis- | cern his errors?\*

Declare me innocent from | hidden faults.

<sup>13</sup>Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins;
 let them not have dominion | over me!\*
 Then I shall be blameless,
 and innocent of great trans- | gression.

 <sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable | in your sight,\*
 O LORD, my rock and my re- | deemer.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

# **Epistle**

1 Corinthians 12:12–31a

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

<sup>14</sup>For the body does not consist of one member but of many. <sup>15</sup>If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>16</sup>And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>17</sup>If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? <sup>18</sup>But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup>If all were a single member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

<sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup>and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts

are treated with greater modesty, <sup>24</sup>which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, <sup>25</sup>that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup>If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

<sup>27</sup>Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup>And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup>Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup>Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup>But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

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

#### Stand



Holy Gospel Luke 4:16–30

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.



<sup>16</sup>[Jesus] came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. <sup>17</sup>And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

18"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

<sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." <sup>22</sup>And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" <sup>23</sup>And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Physician, heal yourself.' What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well." <sup>24</sup>And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. <sup>25</sup>But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, <sup>26</sup> and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. <sup>27</sup>And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup>When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. <sup>29</sup>And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. <sup>30</sup>But passing through their midst, he went away.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### **Nicene Creed**

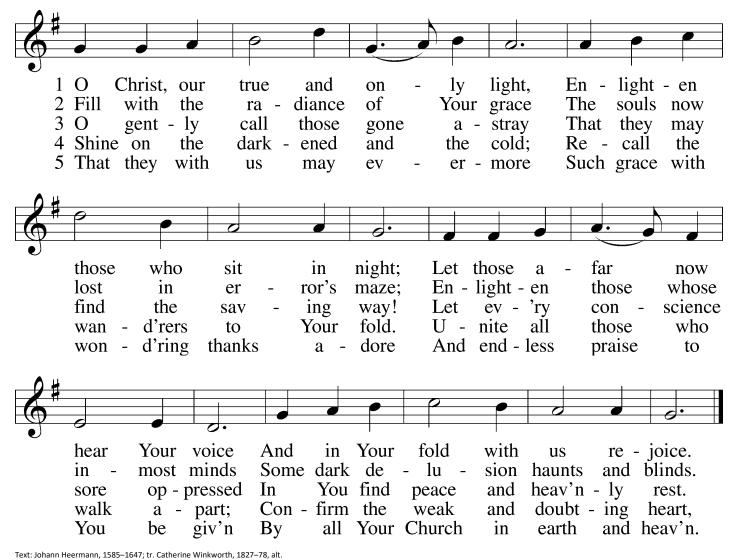
I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

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.

# Hymn of the Day: 839 O Christ, Our True and Only Light

LSB 839



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#### Sermon

#### Votum

- The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and P minds in Christ Jesus.
- Amen.

#### Stand



# Offering

Sit

The offering plate will be passed around at the pews. Please sign an attendance card, listing all members of the family who are present. Mark the appropriate box if you are attending the Lord's Supper. Place them in the offering plate when it is passed around.

#### Stand

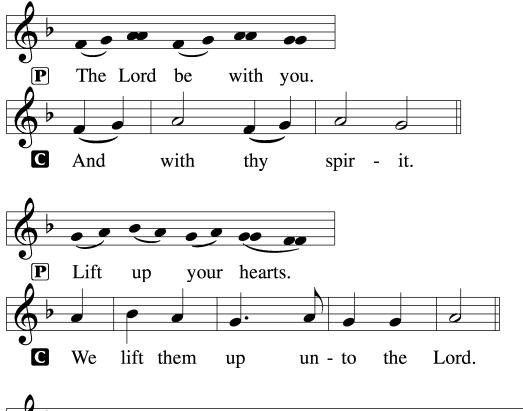
# **Prayer of the Church**

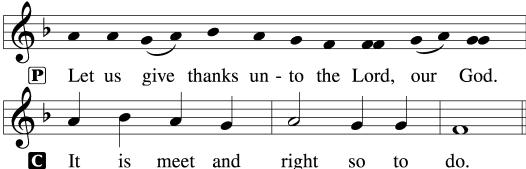
#### **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

In the Lord's Supper, the Risen Christ is at once the Giver and the Gift! By His promise, His very body and blood are really present and thereby we come into immediate contact with exalted Christ! As we do so, witness is also given to oneness in doctrine by those who receive the Sacrament together. For this reason we practice closed communion and kindly ask that those who are not members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod please speak with the Pastor before coming to communion.

If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may remain in your pew or come to the Altar to receive a blessing, crossing your arms in front of you to indicate this.

Preface LSB 194

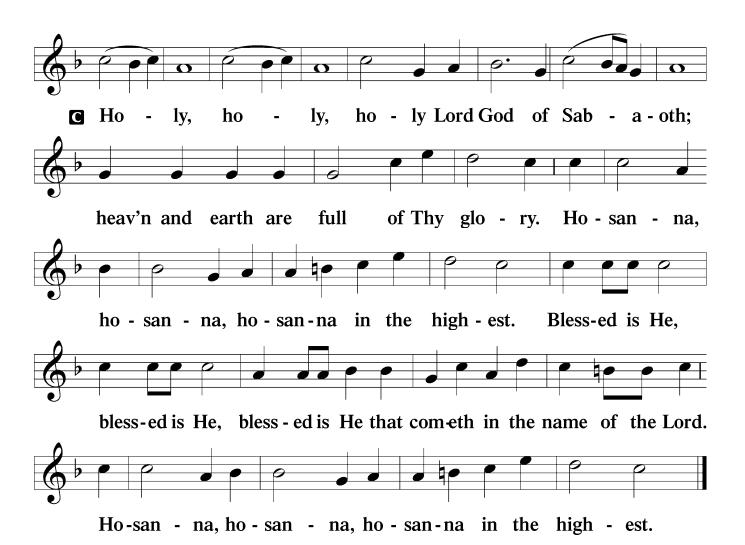




# **Proper Preface**

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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 195





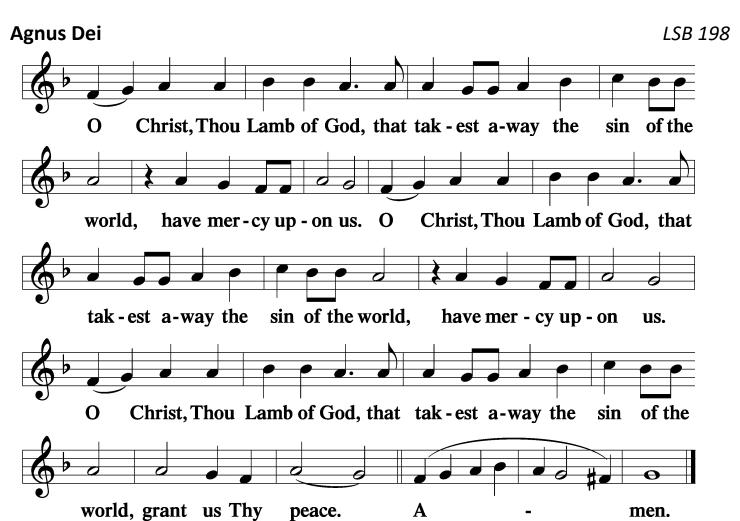


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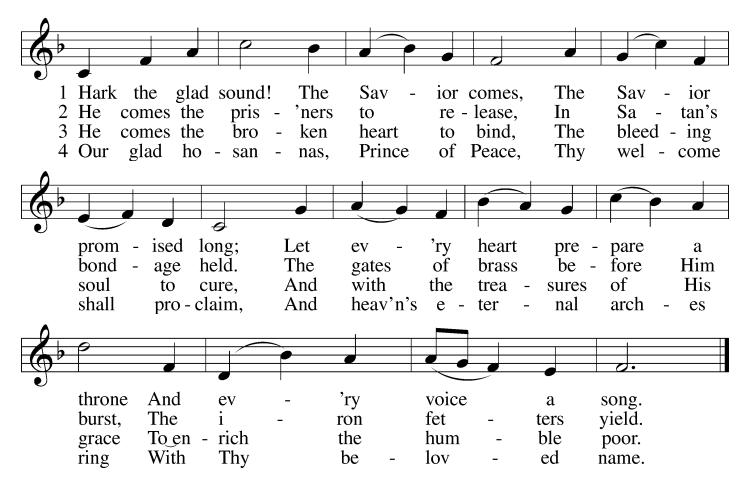
P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.





Sit

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# Distribution Hymn: 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

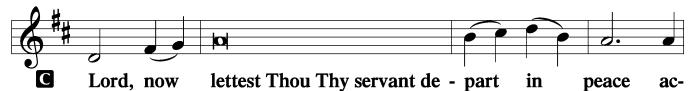
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#### Stand

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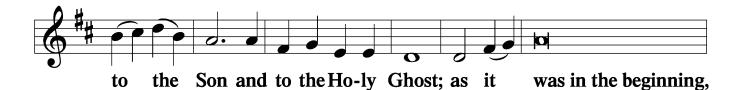


cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



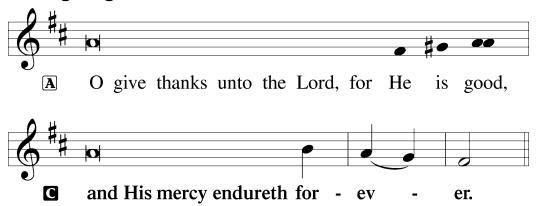








Thanksgiving LSB 200



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

**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.

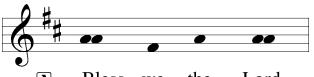


Salutation LSB 201



And with thy spir - it.

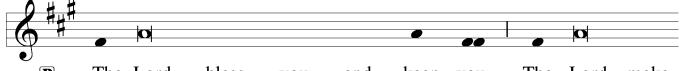
Benedicamus LSB 202



**A** Bless we the Lord.



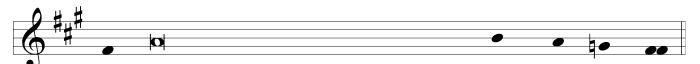
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P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make

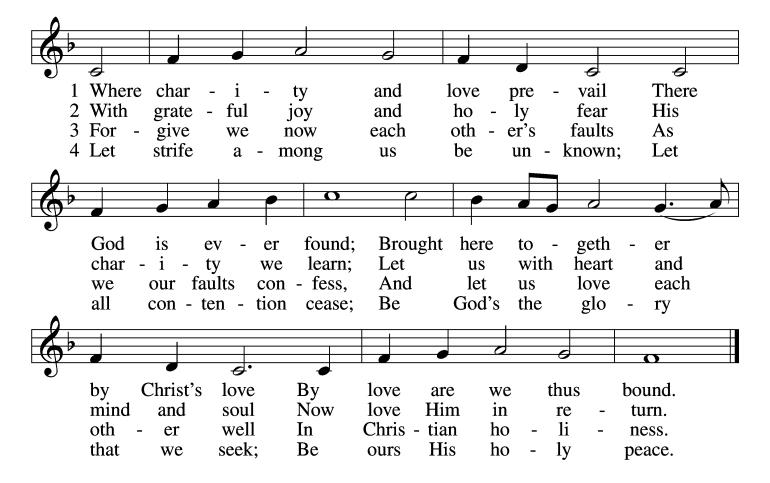


His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



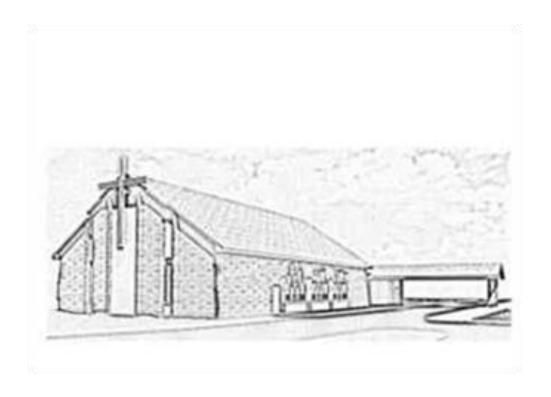


- Let us recall that in our midst
   Dwells Christ, His only Son;
   As members of His body joined
   We are in Him made one.
- 6 For love excludes no race or clan
  That names the Savior's name;
  His family embraces all
  Whose Father is the same.

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