# Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Divine Service, Setting Three January 31, 2021

My strength evaporated like water in the summer heat. Interlude

5 Finally, I confessed all my sins to you and stopped trying to hide my guilt.

I said to myself, "I will confess my rebellion to the Lord."

And you forgave me! All my guilt is gone. Interlude

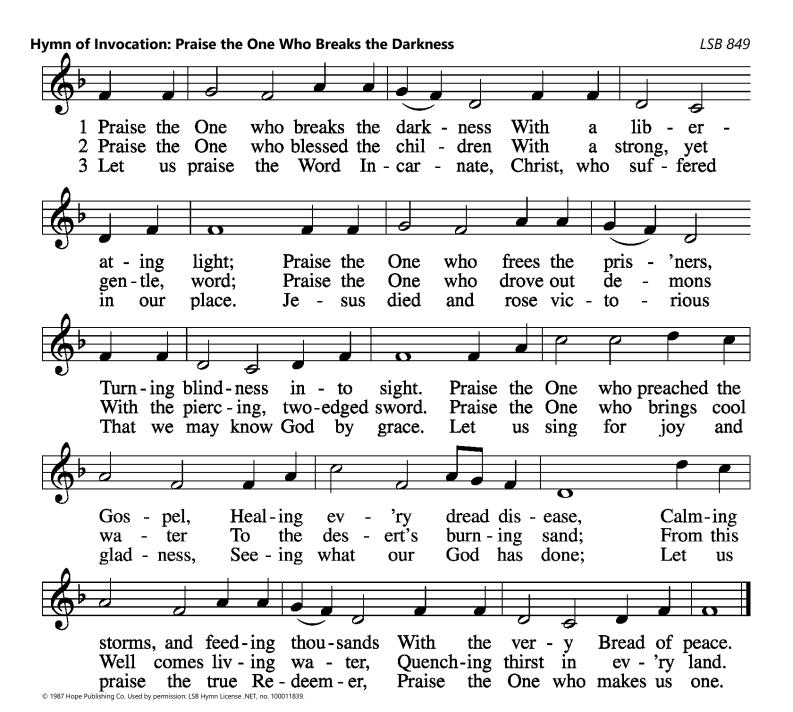
6 Therefore, let all the godly pray to you

**Regarding the Lord's Supper** – Today as we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion we will receive the body and blood of our Savior. We receive the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning Church fellowship (Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 10:17; 1 Cor. 11:26; Rom. 16:17), we practice closed communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests desiring to receive the sacrament are encouraged to speak with the pastor.

**Prelude** 

**Words of Welcome** 

Stand



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

Invocation LSB 184

- In the name of the Father and of the 
  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- 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 

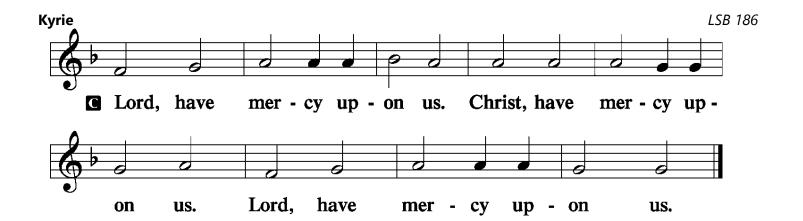
  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Introit

Ps. 32:1-2, 5-7; antiphon: Ps. 32:10

- Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.
- Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- P Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
- I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.
- You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 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.
- Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

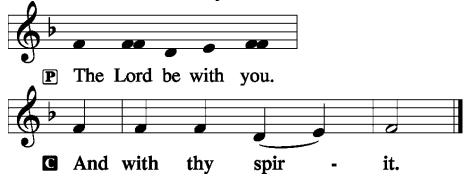












- **P** Let us pray.
- Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Deuteronomy 18:15–20

<sup>15</sup>"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— <sup>16</sup>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.' <sup>17</sup>And

the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. <sup>18</sup>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. <sup>19</sup>And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.

<sup>20</sup>But 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."

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

**Epistle** 1 Corinthians 8:1–13

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

<sup>4</sup>Therefore, 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." <sup>5</sup>For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"— <sup>6</sup>yet 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.

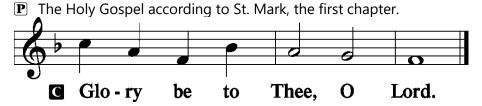
<sup>7</sup>However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. <sup>8</sup>Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup>But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup>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? <sup>11</sup>And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. <sup>12</sup>Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup>Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

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

Stand



Holy Gospel Mark 1:21–28



<sup>21</sup>And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. <sup>22</sup>And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup>"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." <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>And 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." <sup>28</sup>And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



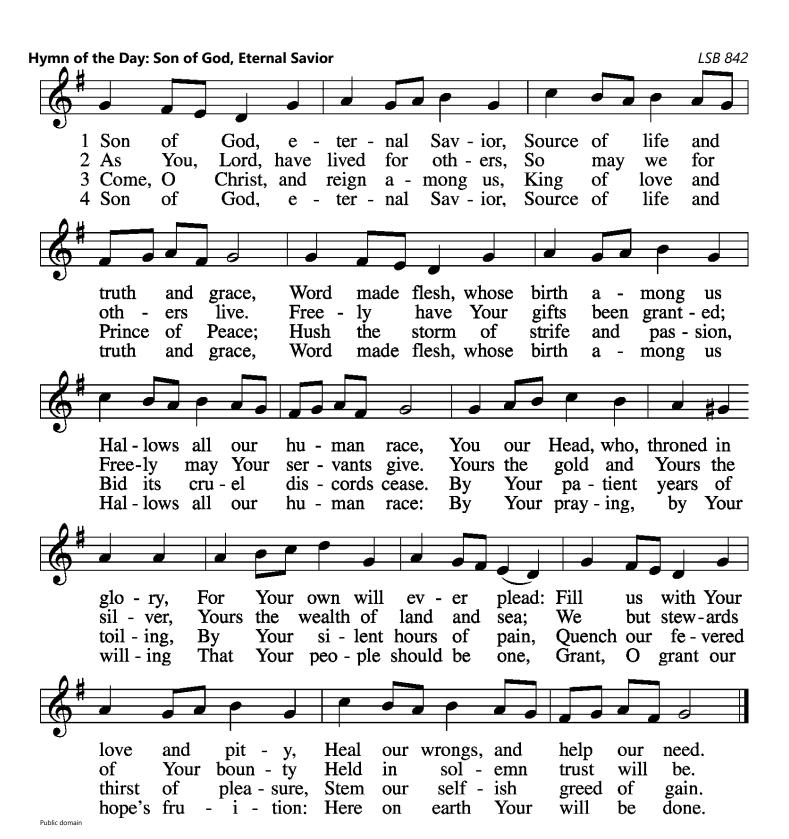
### **Apostles' Creed**

**G** 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.

Sit



#### Sermon

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#### Offering

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#### **Prayer of the Church**

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Holy Trinity, You are God of gods and Lord of lords. Truly, there is no God but You alone. From You and from Your Son, Jesus Christ, are all things. Reveal the saving knowledge of Christ's truth to us and all the world, that loving You and one another, together we may be known by God. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

O Lord, our God, send faithful preachers into Your harvest who will be diligent to listen to Your Word and speak it faithfully in Your name. Preserve us from false prophets who would lead us away from Your truth, and give us ears to hear gladly the saving words of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Heavenly Father, guard our families and homes, and build them up in love. Support parents in their task of instructing their children, strengthen those whose faith is weak, and make us bold to forego convenience and security to attest the truths of our most holy faith with heart and action. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Almighty God, give health and safety to our president and governor, our legislators and judges, and all who

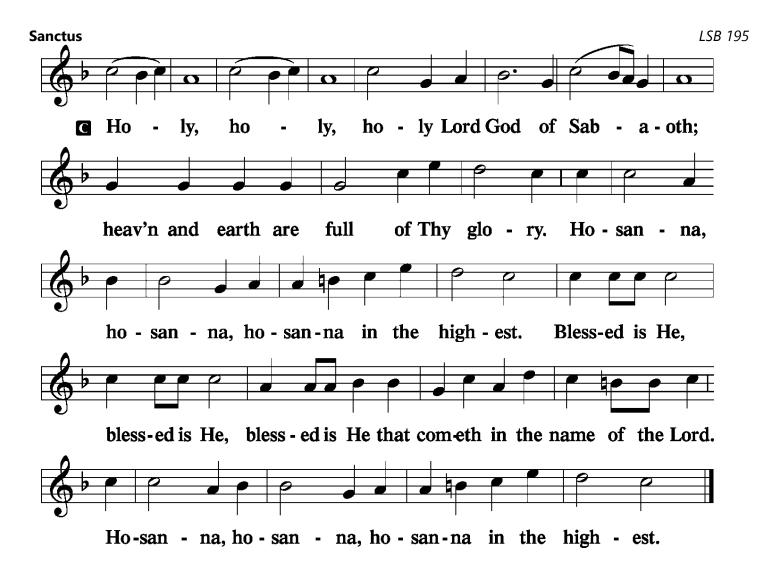
serve for our governance and protection. Make them high in purpose, wise in counsel and unwavering in duty. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.** 



## **Proper Preface (Full)**

List 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:



#### **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.

The Words of Our Lord LSB 197

- 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 
  → 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 
  → blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



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#### **Distribution**

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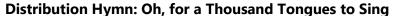
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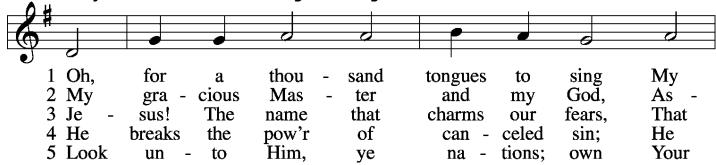
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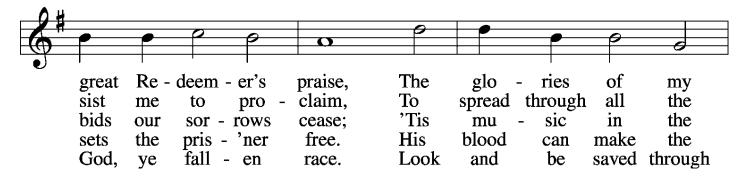
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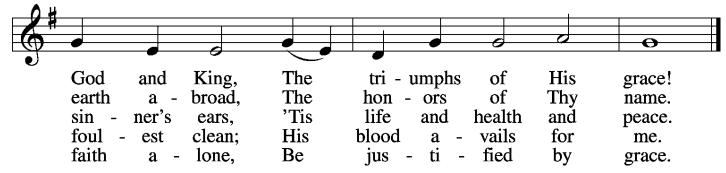
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- See all your sins on Jesus laid;
   The Lamb of God was slain.
   His soul was once an off'ring made
   For ev'ry soul of man.
- To God all glory, praise, and love
   Be now and ever giv'n
   By saints below and saints above,
   The Church in earth and heav'n.

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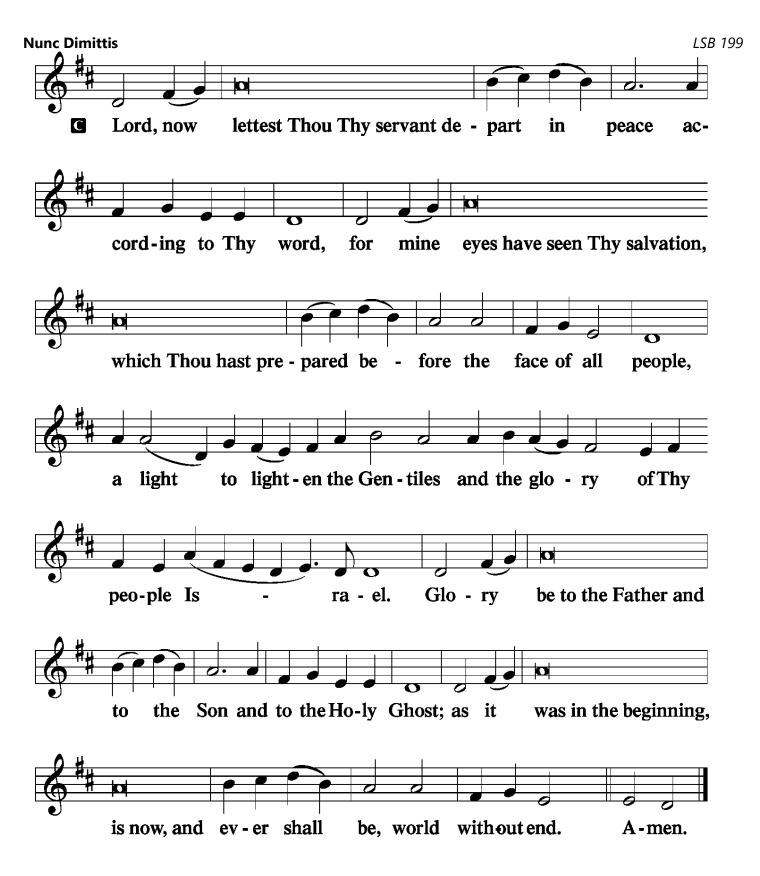
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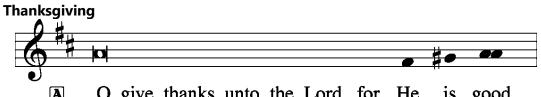
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- Let me praise God's boundless favor,
   Whose own feast of love I savor,
   Bidden by His gracious call.
   Wedding garments He provides me,
   With a robe of white He hides me,
   Fits me for the royal hall.
- Now have I found consolation,
  Comfort in my tribulation,
  Balm to heal the troubled soul.
  God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
  Cleanses me from sin and error,
  Makes my wounded spirit whole

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O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, A

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

**A** Let us pray.

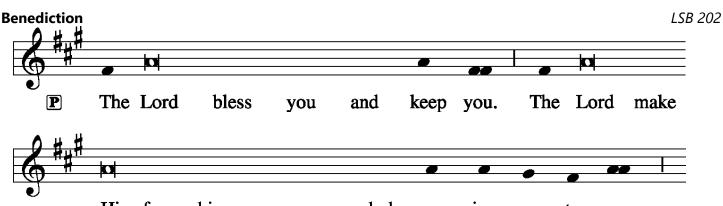
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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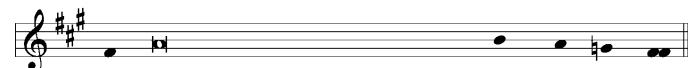






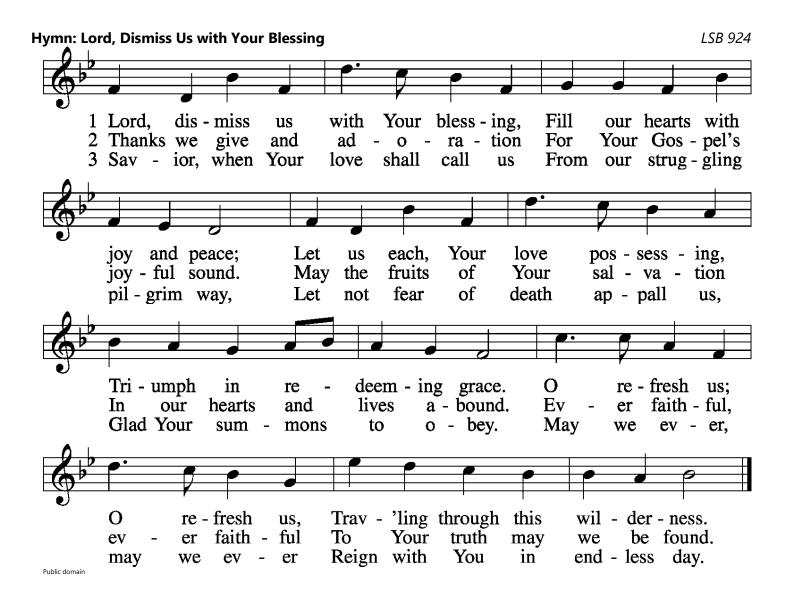


His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.



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





#### **Postlude**

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# Announcements

#### **Serving today**

Elder – C. Talbott

Ushers – C. Meier; C. Schell

Organist - B. Bruce

Altar Guild – K. Yoakum Camera – B. Bruce Tellers – A. Frank; M. Pike

#### Serving next week

Elder – D. Barkley

Ushers – C. Talbott; T. Cuchlinski

Organist – S. Schuerman

Altar Guild – A. Frank Camera – K. Yoakum Tellers – J. Legge; M. Pike

**SOUPer Bowl Sunday** – We invite everyone to join us next week after worship for a SOUPer Bowl Sunday Luncheon. See the sign up sheets in the back if you'd like to contribute a soup, chili, salad, or dessert.

**Youth Confirmation** – For next week, REVIEW Catechetical Helps and Bible Passages on pages 124-125. READ AHEAD Chapter 16, pages 126-131.

**Memory Verse Challenge:** "For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony

given at the proper time." (1 Timothy 2:5-6)

**Scripture Readings for Next Sunday:** Isaiah 40:21-31; 1 Corinthians 9:16-27; Mark 1:29-39.

Light of Life: a Journey Through John – Lent begins on Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>. This year, I'm inviting everyone to read the Gospel of John during Lent. A reading schedule will be provided. Also, a devotional book, "Light of Life", will be available for those who wish to take part.

<u>Prayer List</u> – Susan; Dottie; Andrea; Donald; John; Blaine; Lois; Donna; Wally; Marjorie; Darlene; Randy; Barbara; the wife of Jonathan.

#### **Upcoming Calendar**

1/31	9am	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10am	Worship
	11:30am	Youth Confirmation Class
	2pm	Basic Lutheran Teachings
2/1	7pm	Elders Meeting
2/2	2pm	Book of the Month Bible Study (BOMBS): Topic: Philippians 1
2/3	6:30pm	Brown Bag Bible Study. Topic: Fruits of the Spirit: Patience, Kindness, Goodness
2/7	9am	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10am	Worship
	11:30am	Youth Confirmation Class
	2pm	Basic Lutheran Teachings
2/9	2pm	Book of the Month Bible Study (BOMBS)
	7pm	Church Council meeting
2/10	6:30pm	Brown Bag Bible Study. Fruits of the Spirit: Gentleness, Faithfulness, Self-Control