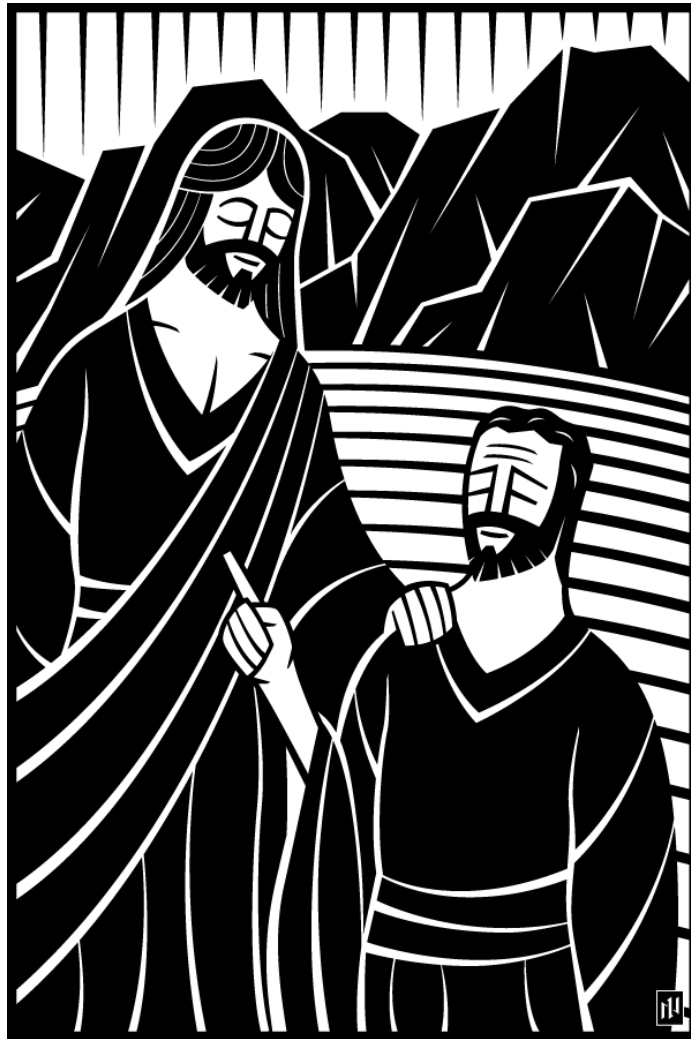


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SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

TODAY'S THREAD: *God makes himself most fully known when he acts to make us his people in Christ.*

OPENING HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise | 240



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 All life you en - gen - der in great and in small,
4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,



In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
Not want - ing nor wast - ing, you rule in your might,
Of all life Be - friend - er, the true Life of all.
Your an - gels a - dore you, all veil - ing their sight.



Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, O An - cient of Days,
Your jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove,
We blos - som and flour - ish in rich - ness and range;
Our prais - es we ren - der; oh, lead us to see



Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise!
Your clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
We with - er and per - ish, but you nev - er change.
The light of your splen - dor, your love's maj - es - ty!

M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

PENTECOST SONG OF PRAISE

Holy God, We Praise Your Name | 278:1, 3

Te Deum



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
3 Blest Re - deem - er, vir - gin's Son, O - ver death his



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim;
vic - t'ry claim - ing, Now as - cend - ed to his throne,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
Judge and king, his grace pro - claim - ing, O - pens heav'n to



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
all his own. Praise and thanks to God a - lone!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 6:2-8 EHV

Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob knew the LORD by that name. They just didn't know his name (reputation) the way it would be revealed in his mighty and merciful deliverance from arrogant Pharaoh.

² Then God spoke to Moses, telling him, "I am the LORD. ³ I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by my name, the LORD, I was not known to them. ⁴ I also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land where they were residing as aliens. ⁵ I certainly have heard the groaning of the Israelites, whom the Egyptians have enslaved, and I have remembered my covenant.

⁶ "Therefore, tell the Israelites, 'I am the LORD. I will bring you out from under the forced labor of the Egyptians. I will deliver you from being their slaves. I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. ⁷ I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. You will know that I am the LORD your God, the one who brought you out from under the forced labor of the Egyptians. ⁸ I will bring you to the land which I swore with uplifted hand to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you as a possession. I am the LORD.'"

M: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 34

Refrain



Psalm tone



Taste and see that the LORD is good;*
blessed are they who take refuge in him.

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous*
and his ears are attentive to their cry.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,*
and he delivers them.

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The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them;*
he delivers them from all their troubles.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted*
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

The LORD redeems his servants;
no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

**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.**

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Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Romans 11:33-36 EHV

The one and only God is not known by human investigation. Fools think he needs their advice. Let God make himself known to you. His wonders are inexhaustible, even for all eternity.

- 33 Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments
and how untraceable his ways!
- 34 “For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been his adviser?”
- 35 “Or who has first given to God
that he will be repaid?”
- 36 For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be the glory forever! Amen.

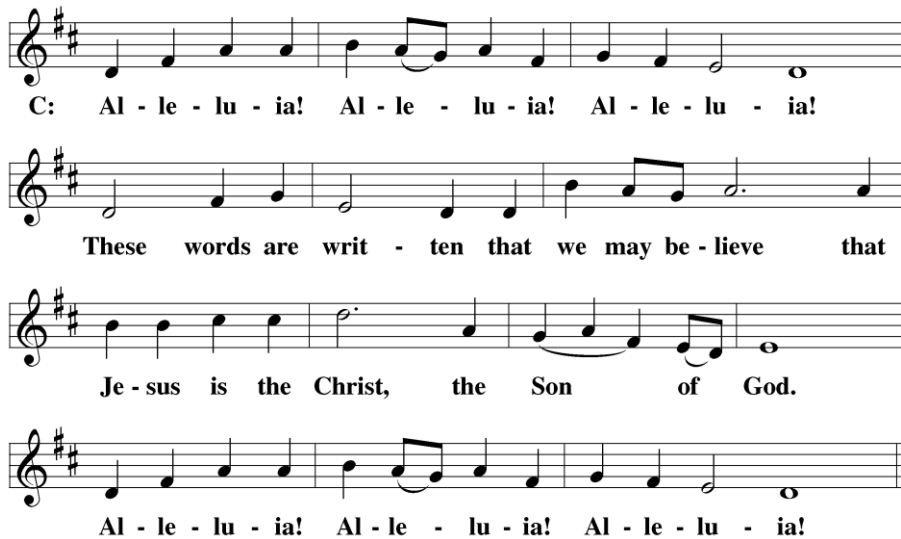
M: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

VERSE OF THE DAY

1 Timothy 1:10b cf.

M: Alleluia. Jesus Christ has destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20 EHV

No matter how obvious is it that Jesus is the promised Christ, none of us could see this unless the Father reveals it to us. Confessing Jesus is the Christ reveals that God has made you one of his own.

M: The Gospel, Matthew Chapter 16

¹³ When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”

¹⁴ They said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

¹⁵ He said to them, “But you, who do you say that I am?”

¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

¹⁷ Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell will not overpower it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰ Then he commanded the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.



M: This is the Gospel.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head | 536



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Church's head, You are her
2 O Lord, let this your lit - tle flock, Your name a -
3 Help us to serve you ev - er - more With hearts both
4 And for your gos - pel let us dare To sac - ri -



one foun - da - tion. In you she trusts, be - fore you
lone con - fess - ing, Con - tin - ue in your lov - ing
pure and low - ly. And may your Word, that light di -
fice all trea - sure; Teach us to bear your bless - ed



bows, And waits for your sal - va - tion. Built
care, True u - ni - ty pos - sess - ing. Your
vine, Shine on in splen - dor ho - ly That
cross, To find in you all plea - sure. Oh,



on this rock se - cure, Your Church shall en - dure
sac - ra - ments, O Lord, And your sav - ing Word
we re - pent - ance show, In faith ev - er grow.
grant us stead - fast - ness In joy and dis - tress.



Though all the world de - cay And all things
To us e'er pure re - tain. Grant that they
The pow'r of sin de - stroy And e - vils
Lord, for your mer - cy's sake, Let us by



pass a - way. Oh, hear, oh, hear us, Je - sus!
may re - main Our on - ly strength and com - fort.
that an - noy. Oh, make us faith - ful Chris - tians.
grace par - take Of end - less joy and glo - ry.

SERMON – See the separate sheet for the Sermon Road Map.

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

C: Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.

M: Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

C: Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: ... Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -

va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
 The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you
 take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
 O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness; Leave be - hind all
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, And with lov - ing
 3 He who craves a pre - cious trea - sure Nei - ther cost nor
 4 Now I kneel be - fore you low - ly, Filled with joy most
 5 Hu - man rea - son, though it pon - ders, Can - not fath - om



gloom and sad - ness. Come in - to the day - light's splen - dor;
 rev - 'rence greet him, For with words of life im - mor - tal
 pain will mea - sure, But the price - less gifts of heav - en
 deep and ho - ly, As with trem - bling awe and won - der
 these great won - ders, That Christ's bod - y must be bound - less



There with joy your prais - es ren - der Un - to
 He is knock - ing at your por - tal. O - pen
 God to us has free - ly giv - en. Though the
 On your might - y work I pon - der, How by
 Since the souls it feeds are count - less, And that



him whose grace un - bound - ed Has this won - drous
 wide the gates be - fore him, Say - ing, as you
 wealth of earth were prof - fered, Naught would buy the
 mys - ter - y sur - round - ed, Depths that no one
 he his blood is giv - ing With the wine we



sup - per found - ed. Though he reigns a - bove most
 there a - dore him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
 gifts here of - fered: Christ's true bod - y, for you
 ev - er sound - ed. None may dare to pierce un -
 are re - ceiv - ing. These great mys - ter - ies un -



ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
 ceive you, That I nev - er - more will leave you.
 riv - en, And his blood, for you once giv - en.
 bid - den Se - crets that with you are hid - den.
 sound - ed Are by God a - lone ex - pound - ed.

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THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, Our true faith con -
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing, To God ev - er -
fess - ing, The peo - ple of God from his dwell - ing take
liv - ing, The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will
leave. The sup - per is end - ed; Oh, be now ex -
face. Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er
tend - ed The fruits of this ser - vice in all who be -
car - ing, Em - brac - ing his chil - dren of each tribe and
lieve. The seed of his teach - ing, Re - cep -
race. With your feast you feed us; With your
tive souls reach - ing, Shall blos - som in ac - tion for
light now lead us; U - nite us as one in this
God and for all. His grace did in - vite us; His
life that we share. Then may all the liv - ing With
love shall u - nite us To work for God's
praise and thanks - giv - ing Give hon - or to
king - dom and an - swer his call.
Christ and his name that we bear.

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Silent prayer

Announcements after the close of Service

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