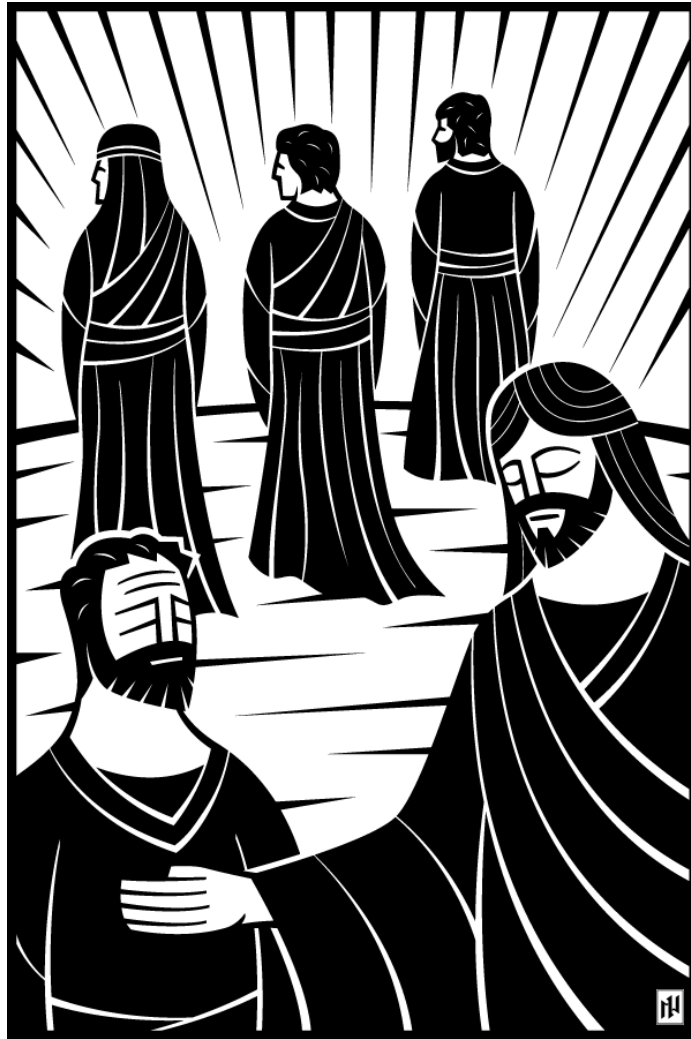


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## SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

**THREAD:** Consider the Lord's work and words. Faith wisely submits to him in all things. He alone gives eternal life.

### OPENING HYMN

Speak, O Savior; I Am Listening | 283



1 Speak, O Sav - ior; I am lis - t'ning, As a ser - vant  
2 Oh, what bless - ing to be near you And to lis - ten  
3 Lord, your words are wa - ters liv - ing Where I quench my  
4 As I pray, dear Je - sus, hear me; Let your words in



to his lord. Let me show re - spect and hon - or  
to your voice! Let me ev - er love and fear you;  
thirst - y needs. Lord, your words are bread life - giv - ing;  
me take root. May your Spir - it e'er be near me



To your ho - ly, pre - cious Word, That each day, my  
Let your Word still be my choice. Man - y hard - ened  
On your words my spir - it feeds. Lord, your words will  
That I bear a - bun - dant fruit. May I dai - ly



whole life through, I may serve and fol - low  
sin - ners, Lord, Flee in ter - ror at your  
be my light Through death's cold and drear - y  
sing your praise, From my heart glad an - thems



you. Let your Word e'er be my plea - sure  
Word, But to all who feel sin's bur - den  
night; Yes, they are my sword pre - vail - ing  
raise, Till my high - est praise is giv - en



And my heart's most pre - cious trea - sure.  
You give peace and words of par - don.  
And my cup of joy un - fail - ing.  
In the end - less joy of heav - en.

**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.



1 God, we praise you! God, we bless you! God, we  
 2 True a - pos - tles, faith - ful proph - ets, Saints who  
 3 Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, Ev - er -  
 4 Christ, at God's right hand vic - to - rious, You will



name you sov - 'reign Lord! Might - y King whom  
 set their world a - blaze, Mar - tyrs, once un -  
 last - ing Son of God, Hum - ble was your  
 judge the world you made; Lord, in mer - cy



an - gels wor - ship, Fa - ther, by your Church a -  
 known, un - heed - ed, Join one grow - ing song of  
 vir - gin moth - er, Hard the lone - ly path you  
 help your ser - vants For whose free - dom you have



dored: All cre - a - tion shows your glo -  
 praise, While your Church on earth con - fess -  
 trod: By your cross is sin de - feat -  
 paid: Raise us up from dust to glo -



ry; Heav'n and earth draw near your throne,  
 es One ma - jes - tic Trin - i - ty:  
 ed, Hell con - front - ed face to face,  
 ry; Guard us from all sin to - day.



Sing - ing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it,  
 Heav - en o - pened to be - liev - ers,  
 King en - throned a - bove all prais - es,



Lord of hosts and God a - lone!"  
 God, our hope e - ter - nal - ly.  
 Sin - ners jus - ti - fied by grace.  
 Save your peo - ple, God, we pray.

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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.



C: A - - men.

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

Joshua 24:1, 2a, 14-18 EHV

*Why do people serve their God or gods? They rely on their deity to protect and help them. The record is clear. No God can rescue and help like the LORD. It's wise and pure joy to submit and rely exclusively on him!*

<sup>1</sup> Then Joshua assembled all the tribes of Israel at Shechem. He summoned the elders, leaders, judges and officials of Israel, and they presented themselves before God.

<sup>2</sup> Joshua said to all the people, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says:

<sup>14</sup> "Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. <sup>15</sup> But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

<sup>16</sup> Then the people answered, "Far be it from us to forsake the LORD to serve other gods! <sup>17</sup> It was the LORD our God himself who brought us and our parents up out of Egypt, from that land of slavery, and performed those great signs before our eyes. He protected us on our entire journey and among all the nations through which we traveled. <sup>18</sup> And the LORD drove out before us all the nations, including the Amorites, who lived in the land. We too will serve the LORD, because he is our God."

**M:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

### PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 71

*Teach your children the joy of submitting to the LORD. Focus on his deeds. Trust him alone as your God.*

#### Refrain



Bless-ed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

#### Psalm tone



In you, O LORD, I have taken refuge;<sup>\*</sup>  
let me never be put to shame.

Rescue me and deliver me in your righteousness;<sup>\*</sup>  
turn your ear to me and save me.

Be my rock of refuge to which I can always go;<sup>\*</sup>  
For you are my rock and my fortress.

#### Refrain

Since my youth, O God, you have taught me,<sup>\*</sup>  
and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.

Even when I am old and gray,<sup>\*</sup>  
do not forsake me, O God,

till I declare your power to the next generation,<sup>\*</sup>  
your might to all who are to come.

**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.**

*Refrain*

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**SECOND LESSON**

**Ephesians 5:21-31 EHV**

*The Greek word for submit means subordinate, to put yourself under the authority of the one in charge. Faith is an act of subordination. Faith trusts that God’s will is good.*

<sup>21</sup> Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

<sup>22</sup> Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her <sup>26</sup> to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, <sup>27</sup> and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. <sup>28</sup> In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church— <sup>30</sup> for we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup> “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”

**M:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

**2 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 - The last in a series of 5 readings from the Bread of Life chapter**

**John 6:60-69 EHV**

*You are not a Christian if you selectively follow Jesus. Trust in Jesus is all or nothing. Selective adherence is trust in self – in the wisdom of your sinful flesh. Submit to the Spirit and live!*

**M:** The Gospel, John Chapter 6

<sup>60</sup> On hearing it, many of his disciples said, “This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?”

<sup>61</sup> Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, “Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup> Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! <sup>63</sup> The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. <sup>64</sup> Yet there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. <sup>65</sup> He went on to say, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them.”

<sup>66</sup> From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

<sup>67</sup> “You do not want to leave too, do you?” Jesus asked the Twelve.

<sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup> We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God.”

**M:** This is the Gospel.



**C:** Praise be to you, O Christ!

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Rise, Shine, You People | 556**

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1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has  
 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil  
 3 Come, cel - e - brate, your ban - ners high un -  
 4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent his Son to



en - tered Our hu - man sto - ry; God in  
 reel - ing; He brings us free - dom, light and  
 furl - ing, Your songs and prayers a - gainst the  
 save us. Tell of the Son, who life and



him is cen - tered. He comes to us, by death  
 life and heal - ing. All men and wom - en, who  
 dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the world go out  
 free - dom gave us. Tell how the Spir - it calls



and sin sur - round - ed, With grace un - bound - ed.  
 by guilt are driv - en, Now are for - giv - en.  
 and tell the sto - ry Of Je - sus' glo - ry.  
 from ev - 'ry na - tion His new cre - a - tion.

**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**

**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."

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



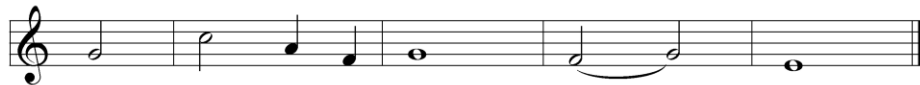
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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.

6 Lord, by love and mercy driven,  
 You have left your throne in heaven  
 On the cross for me to languish  
 And to die in bitter anguish,  
 To forgo all joy and gladness  
 And to shed your blood in sadness.  
 By this blood redeemed and living,  
 Lord, I praise you with thanksgiving.

7 Jesus, Sun of life, my Splendor,  
 Jesus, Friend of friends most tender,  
 Jesus, Joy of me desiring,  
 Fount of life, my soul inspiring—  
 At your feet I cry, my Maker:  
 Let me be a fit partaker  
 Of this blessed food from heaven  
 For our good, your glory, given.

8 Jesus, Lord of life, I pray you,  
 Let me gladly here obey you.  
 By your love I am invited;  
 Be your love with love required.  
 By this supper let me measure,  
 Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.  
 Through the gift of grace you give me  
 As your guest in heav'n receive me.

# 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 - jice 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 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah,  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan,  
 Pil - grim through this bar - ren land.  
 Whence the heal - ing stream doth flow;  
 Bid my anx - ious fears sub - side;  
 I am weak, but thou art might - y; Hold me  
 Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar Lead me  
 Death of death and hell's De - struc - tion, Land me  
 with thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,  
 all my jour - ney through. Strong De - liv - 'rer,  
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es  
 Feed me till I want no more.  
 Be thou still my strength and shield.  
 I will ev - er give to thee.

*Silent prayer - Announcements*

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