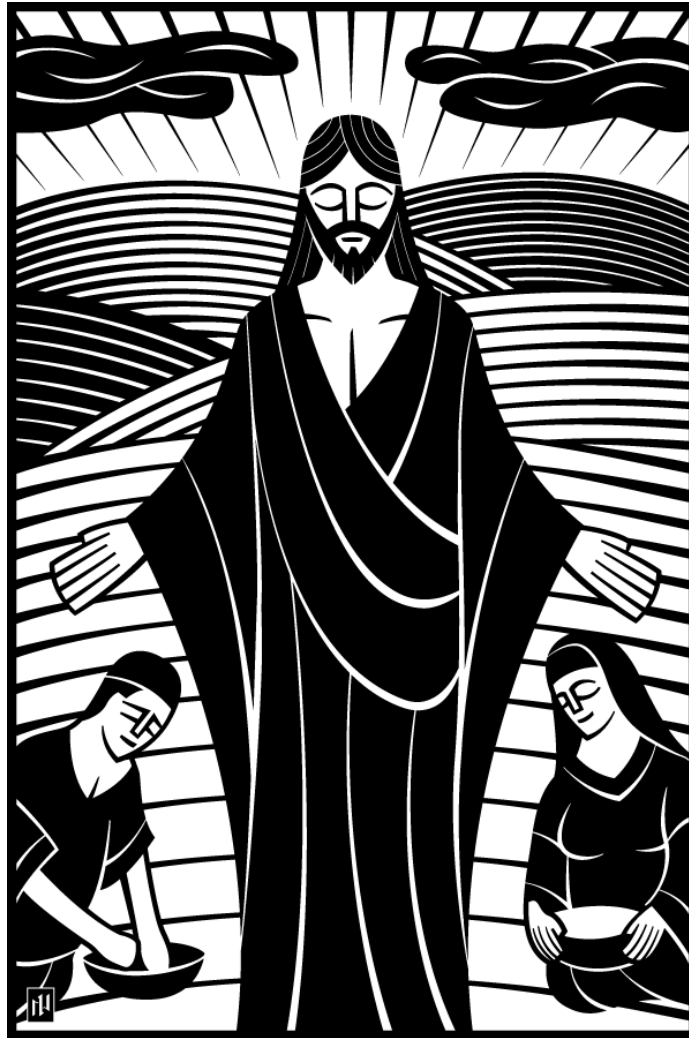


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SERVICE OF THE WORD

TODAY'S THREAD: *Our God goes to great lengths to heal the hurting with his message of reconciliation.*

STAND as directed

OPENING HYMN

O Lord, in Prayer You Spent the Night | 548



1 O Lord, in prayer you spent the night, Then
 2 Keep pas - tors faith - ful, strong, and true, Not
 3 May all your peo - ple faith - ful be And
 4 So may we, when our work is done, To -

sent the twelve at morn - ing's light. Our hearts at
 work - ing for them - selves but you. En - dow them
 treat your pas - tors rev - 'rent - ly And with them
 geth - er meet be - fore your throne And joy - ful

your re - quest are stirred To ask for her - alds
 with the grace they need, The lambs to serve, the
 work and for them pray, Re - mem - b'ring what the
 hearts and voic - es raise In one u - nit - ed

of your Word: Send preach - ers forth and each one
 sheep to feed, The pre - cious flock to lead and
 Scrip - tures say: Re - ceive the proph - et of the
 song of praise, With all the bright, ce - les - tial

bless With cour - age, zeal, and ho - li - ness.
 guide— The Shep - herd thus is glo - ri - fied.
 Lord And gain the proph - et's own re - ward.
 host, To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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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: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

The congregation may be seated or kneel.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

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
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial song An - gel choirs a -
3 Blest Re - deem - er, vir - gin's Son, O - ver death his
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim;
bove are rais - ing; Proph - ets, mar - tyrs join the throng,
vic - t'ry claim - ing, Now as - cend - ed to his throne,
three we name you; Though in es - sence on - ly one,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing With the Church in
Judge and king, his grace pro - claim - ing, O - pens heav'n to
Un - di - vid - ed God we claim you, Then, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
one ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
all his own. Praise and thanks to God a - lone!
bend the knee And con - fess the mys - ter - y.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, protector of all the faithful, you alone make strong; you alone make holy. Show us your mercy and forgive our sins day by day. Guide us through our earthly lives that we do not lose the things you have prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 19:2-8a EHV

What does it take to be the people of God - his special treasure out of all people? We become his by his mighty deeds of deliverance. We remain his as long as we treasure him and his word.

² After they set out from Rephidim and came to the Wilderness of Sinai, they camped in the wilderness. Israel camped there in front of the mountain.

³ Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, "This is what you are to say to the house of Jacob and to tell the people of Israel: ⁴'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵ Now if you will carefully listen to my voice and keep my covenant, then you will be my special treasure out of all the nations, although the entire earth is mine. ⁶ You will be my kingdom of priests and my holy nation.' These are the words that you are to speak to the Israelites."

⁷ Moses went and summoned the elders of the people, and he set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ⁸ All the people answered together, "Everything that the LORD has said, we will do."

M: This is the Word of the Lord.

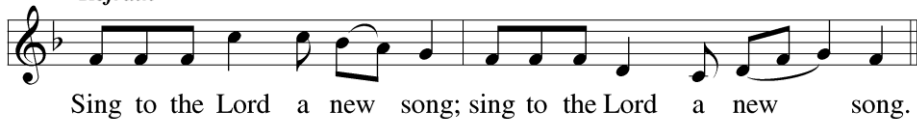
C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 100

Gather to worship the LORD whose faithfulness made and keeps us as his people.

Refrain



Psalm tone



Worship the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.*
Know that the LORD is God.
It is he who made us, and we are his;*
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Refrain

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;*
give thanks to him and praise his name.
For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;*
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

**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

Romans 5:6-11 EHV

What compassion! God transforms us from God haters to his reconciled people. How? He sent his own Son to fully absorb God's just wrath over our rebellion, then raised him to give us new life with him.

⁶For at the appointed time, while we were still helpless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷It is rare indeed that someone will die for a righteous person. Perhaps someone might actually go so far as to die for a person who has been good to him. ⁸But God shows his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹Therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, it is even more certain that we will be saved from God's wrath through him. ¹⁰For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, it is even more certain that, since we have been reconciled, we will be saved by his life. ¹¹And not only is this so, but we also go on rejoicing confidently in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received this reconciliation.

M: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

STAND

VERSE OF THE DAY

Psalm 132:9

M: Alleluia. May your priests be clothed with righteousness; may your saints sing for joy 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 9:35-10:8 EHV

Those impressed by the healing powers of Jesus and his apostles often overlook something far more impressive. Jesus healed the hurting with God's news of compassion and eternal life. All hurting people desperately need this.

M: The Gospel, Matthew Chapter 9

³⁵Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness.

³⁶When he saw the crowds, he was moved with compassion for them, because they were troubled and downcast, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.

³⁸Therefore pray that the Lord of the harvest will send out workers into his harvest."

^{10:1}Jesus called his twelve disciples to himself and gave them authority to drive out unclean spirits and to heal every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

⁵ Jesus sent these twelve out and commanded them, “Do not go among the Gentiles, and do not enter any town of the Samaritans. ⁶ Go instead to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷ As you go, preach this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven is near!’ ⁸ Heal the sick. Raise the dead. Cleanse lepers. Drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

M: This is the Gospel.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

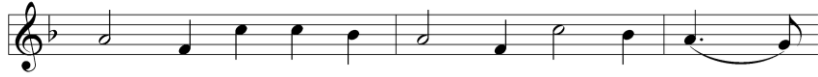
In You Is Gladness | 346



1 In you is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness,
2 If he is ours, We fear no pow - ers,



Je - sus, Sun - shine of my heart. By you are
Not of earth or sin or death. He sees and



giv - en The gifts of heav - en; You the true
bless - es In worst dis - tress - es; He can change



Re - deem - er are. Our souls are wak - ing; Our bonds
them with a breath. Where - fore the sto - ry Tell of



are break - ing. Who trusts you sure - ly Has built se -
his glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -



cure - ly And stands for - ev - er. Al - le - lu -
joic - es In him for - ev - er. Al - le - lu -



ia! Our hearts are pin - ing To see your shin - ing,
ia! We shout for glad - ness, Win o - ver sad - ness,



Dy - ing or liv - ing To you are cling - ing
Love him and praise him And still shall raise him



Now and for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!
Glad hymns for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!

BE SEATED as directed

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

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

BE SEATED

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING – remain seated

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR PENTECOST

M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: **We praise you for every grace and blessing.**

M: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

C: **Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**

M: We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

C: **Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**

M: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

C: **Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**

M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C: **Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: **Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.**

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: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: **Amen.**

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.

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strength-ened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, 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.

CLOSING HYMN



1 Hark! The voice of Je - sus cry - ing, "Who will
2 If you can - not speak like an - gels, If you
3 If you can - not be a watch - man, Stand - ing
4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is



go and work to - day? Fields are ripe and har - vests
can - not preach like Paul, You can tell the love of
high on Zi - on's wall, Point - ing out the path to
noth - ing I can do," While the mul - ti - tudes are



wait - ing; Who will bear the sheaves a - way?"
Je - sus; You can say he died for all.
heav - en, Of - f'ring life and peace to all,
dy - ing, And the Mas - ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth; Rich re -
If you can - not rouse the wick - ed With the
With your prayers and with your of - f'rings You can
Take the task he gives you glad - ly; Let his



ward he of - fers thee. Who will an - swer, glad - ly
Judg - ment's dread a - larms, You can lead the lit - tle
do what God de - mands; You can be like faith - ful
work your plea - sure be. An - swer quick - ly when he



say - ing, "Here am I— send me, send me?"
chil - dren To the Sav - ior's wait - ing arms.
Aar - on, Hold - ing up the proph - et's hands.
call - eth, "Here am I— send me, send me!"

Silent prayer - Announcements after the close of Service