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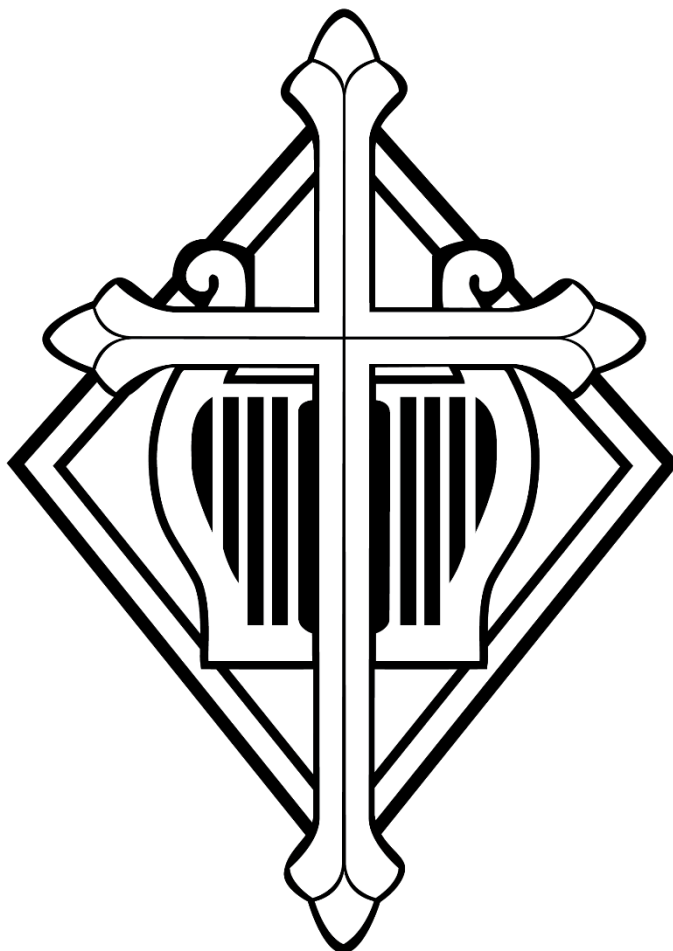
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TODAY'S DIVINE SERVICE

(Rite One, pages 41-59 in the *Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary*)

THE OPENING PRAYER (*Stand*)

P: O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN: 22 "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing" (*Sit*)

1 Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing:
My God and King!

The heav'ns are not too high,
His praise may thither fly;

The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing:
My God and King!

2 Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing:
My God and King!
The Church with psalms must shout;
No door can keep them out;
But, above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing:
My God and King!

3 Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing:
My God and King!
The Father, with the Son,
And Spirit, Three in One,
One everlasting Lord,
Be evermore adored!
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing:
My God and King!

THE CONFESSION OF SIN (*Stand*)

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us a true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

THE KYRIE ELEISON (LORD, HAVE MERCY)

C: ♪ **O God the Father in heaven, have mercy upon us. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us. O God the Holy Ghost, true Comforter, have mercy upon us.**

THE ABSOLUTION

P: Lift up your hearts unto God! Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized will be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all. Amen.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

P: Glory be to God in the highest!

C: ♪ **And on earth peace, good will toward men. All glory be to God on high who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, the strife at last is ended; God showeth His good will to men, and peace shall dwell on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!**

THE SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

THE COLLECT (Prayer for the Day):

P: O God, You make the minds of the faithful to be of one will: Grant unto Your people that they may love what You command, and desire what You promise; that among the manifold changes of this world, our hearts may always be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 11:1-18 (*Sit*)

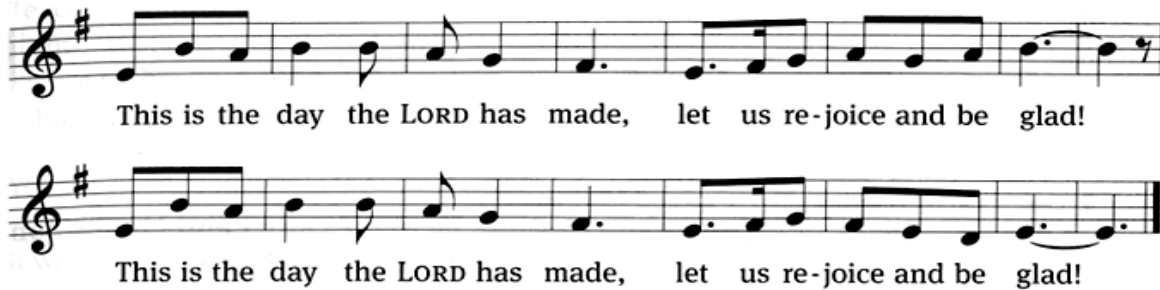
Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ² So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, ³ “You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them.” ⁴ But Peter began and explained it to them in order: ⁵ “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. ⁶ Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. ⁷ And I heard a voice saying to me, ‘Rise, Peter; kill and eat.’ ⁸ But I said, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ ⁹ But the voice answered a second time from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, do not call common.’ ¹⁰ This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ¹¹ And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. ¹² And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³ And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; ¹⁴ he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.’ ¹⁵ As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. ¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’

¹⁷ If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?” ¹⁸ When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, “Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

This Is the Day the LORD Has Made

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Refrain



Tone



The LORD is my strength and / my defense;
he has become my sal-/vation.
The LORD's right hand is / lifted high;
the LORD's right hand has done / mighty things!
I will not / die but live,
and will proclaim what the / LORD has done. *Refrain*

I will give you thanks, for you / answered me;
you have become my sal-/vation.
The stone the builders re-/jected
has become the / cornerstone;
the LORD has / done this,
and it is marvelous / in our eyes.
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. *Refrain*

THE EPISTLE: I Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice at wrongdoing,

but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸ Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away.

⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

¹³ So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 13:31-35 (*Stand*)

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. ³² If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, ‘Where I am going you cannot come.’ ³⁴ A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. ³⁵ By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

C: ♪ God be praised for His glad tidings.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

C: 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From there He shall 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.

CHIEF HYMN: 42 “God, We Praise You”

Cong.

**1 God, we praise You! God, we bless You!
God, we name You sovereign Lord!**

**Mighty King whom angels worship,
Father, by Your church adored:
All creation shows Your glory,**

Heav'n and earth draw near Your throne,
Singing "Holy, holy, holy,
Lord of hosts, and God alone!"

Men

2 True apostles, faithful prophets,
Saints who set their world ablaze,
Martyrs, once unknown, unheeded,
Join one growing song of praise,
While Your church on earth confesses
One majestic Trinity:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
God, our hope eternally.

Women

3 Jesus Christ, the king of glory,
Everlasting Son of God;

Humble was Your Virgin Mother,
Hard the lonely path You trod:
By Your cross is sin defeated,
Hell confronted face to face,
Heaven opened to believers,
Sinners justified by grace.

Cong.

4 Christ, at God's right hand victorious,
You will judge the world You made;
Lord, in mercy help Your servants
For whose freedom You have paid:
Raise us up from dust to glory,
Guard us from all sin today.
King enthroned above all praises,
Save Your people, God, we pray.

THE SERMON: "The Son of Man is Glorified" **John 13:31-35**

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (*Stand*)

P: Everlasting and merciful God, we beseech You in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ:

C: To have mercy upon us and to hear our prayer.

P: Look in mercy upon Your Church. Protect it and sanctify it by Your truth. May Your Word be taught in its purity and Your Sacraments be rightly administered. Grant unto Your Church faithful pastors who shall declare Your truth with power and shall live according to Your will. Send forth laborers into Your harvest and open the door of faith unto all unbelievers and unto the people of Israel. In mercy remember the enemies of Your Church and grant to them repentance unto life.

C: O God, in the multitude of Your mercy, hear us in the truth of Your salvation.

P: Let Your protecting hand be over our country and over all who travel. Prosper what is good among us and bring to naught every evil counsel and purpose. Protect and bless Your servants, the President of the United States, the Governor of this state, our judges and magistrates and all in authority. Fit them for their high calling by the gift of Your Spirit of wisdom and fear, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

C: Hear, O Lord, and have mercy! Lord be our helper.

P: According to Your promise, O God, be the defender of the widow and the father of the

orphan. Relieve and comfort the sick and the sorrowful. Graciously help those who are assaulted by the devil and who are in peril of death. Be the strength of those who are suffering for the sake of Christ's holy name. Grant that we may live together in peace and prosperity. Bestow upon us good and seasonable weather; and bless us with upright Christian counsel in all that we undertake.

C: O Lord, be with all in trouble. Hear their prayers to the honor of Your Name.

P: We especially commend to Your care and keeping this Your congregation which You have bought with a great price. Keep from us all offenses and bind us together in the unity of Your holy love. Grant that the little ones who are baptized in Your name may be brought up in Your fear. At Your table give to those who there commune with You peace and life everlasting.

C: Let all rejoice who trust in You; let them shout for joy because You defend them.

P: In Your mercy look upon In Christ's name we pray.

C: Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer.

P: Be merciful, O God, to all, according to Your great love in Christ Jesus, our Lord. When our final hour shall come, grant us a blessed departure from this world, and on the last day, a resurrection to Your glory.

C: Amen. Grant us Your peace, O Lord!

C: 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 APOSTOLIC BENEDICTION

The musical score is written on three systems of staves. The first system is a piano introduction in G major, consisting of two measures of a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The notes are G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The second system continues the piano introduction with two more measures of a treble clef staff, with notes G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The third system is a choir response, consisting of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The notes are G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The lyrics are: P: The grace of our Lord Je - sus Christ and the love of God and the com - mun - ion of the Ho - ly Spir - it be with you all. C: A - men.

THE OFFERING

If you are a first time visitor with us, we encourage you to fill out a welcome card which is in the pew in front of you. You may place it in the offering plate as it comes by and our Pastor will happily reach out to you.

(Special Music Piece) “Have no Fear, Little Flock” by Kevin Hildebrand.

A HYMN: 380 “When in Our Music God Is Glorified”

Ensemble

1 When in our music God is glorified,
And adoration leaves no room for pride,
It is as though the whole creation cried
Alleluia!

2 How often, making music, we have found
A new dimension in the world of sound,
As worship moved us to a more profound
Alleluia!

Cong.

3 So has the Church, in liturgy and song,
In faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
Borne witness to the truth in ev'ry tongue,
Alleluia!

4 And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night
When utmost evil strove against the Light?
Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight,
Alleluia!

5 Let ev'ry instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always
Alleluia!

THE COLLECT *(Stand)*

P: Lord God, our heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your great mercy You have given us Your holy and blessed Word, by which You also among us gather Your Christian Church. We humbly entreat You, grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we receive Your Word with thankful hearts, and live according to it, and ever increase in Christian faith, and hope, and love, and at last obtain eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN: “Alabaré” (*Sit*)

Refrain:

Alabaré, alabaré Alabaré a mi Señor

Alabaré, alabaré Alabaré a mi Señor

1 John saw the number of all those redeemed,
And all were singing praises to the lord.
Thousands were praying, Ten thousands rejoicing,
And all were singing praises to the Lord.

Refrain:

2 Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain,
Whose blood has set us free from ev’ry sin.
Power and riches, And wisdom and strength
And honor and all blessing shall be His.

Refrain:

3 Sing with the people, the people of God,
And join creation in a joyful hymn.
Blessing and honor And glory and might
To God and to the Lamb be without end.

Refrain:

CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS for May 18, 2025

Voter’s with potluck after service.

Wednesday 9:30 AM: **Women’s Bible Study - 1 Peter**
 7:00 PM: **Men & Women’s Bible Study - Revelation**

Sunday 10:30 AM: **Divine Service with Communion**

VBS Theme “DNA” - June 10th-12th, 9AM-2PM.
Registration Online Space LIMITED

