

+ DIVINE SERVICE I +5-5-24

CALL TO WORSHIP

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

THE OPENING HYMN: "Where Charity and Love Prevail" #845

THE INVOCATION: (Please stand)

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A - men.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS:

P: Beloved in the Lord. Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, imploring Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the Name of the Lord,



C: Who made heaven and earth.

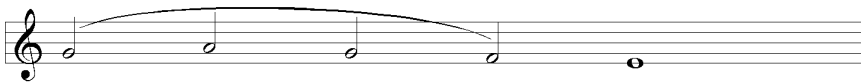
P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,



C: And Thou Forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for my sins 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.

P: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and, for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



A - Men.

THE INTROIT OF THE DAY

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: (Follows on the next page)

PRELUDE
WELCOMING

L: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and
hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.
Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be -
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY: (Prayer of the day)

L: The Lord be with you.



C: And with thy spir - it.

L: Let us pray---One God, now and forever.



C: A - men. (Please be seated)

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-48

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING: 1 John 5:1-8

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 15:9-17 (Please stand)

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (Sing) Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

THE NICENE CREED: (Spoken by all)

C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us, under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE SERMON HYMN: "Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace" #844

THE SERMON: “Together in Christ”

Acts 10:34-48

THE OFFERING (Please place your attendance card and your offering in the plates at the exits)

THE OFFERTORY: (Please stand)



C: Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres-ence; and
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of
Thy sal-va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free Spir-it. A - men.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH: (Please stand) (After each petition we pray...)

P: Lord in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

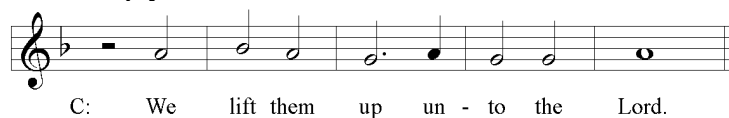
THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION:

P: The Lord be with you.



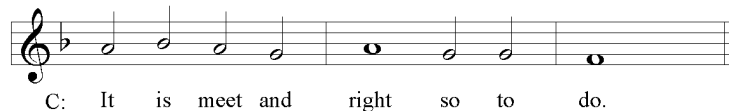
C: And with Thy spir - it.

P: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary---evermore praising You and singing:

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry; Ho - san - na, Ho -
 san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est, Bless - ed is He,
 Bless - ed is He, Bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE LORDS PRAYER: (Prayed by all)

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 INSTITUTION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER:

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 is My Blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

(Matthew 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24, I Corinthians 11:23b-25)

THE PAX DOMINI: (The peace of the Lord)

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

C: A - - - men.

(Please be seated)

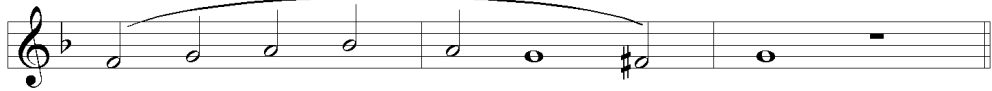
THE AGNUS DEI:



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak- est a- way the sin of the
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world, have mer - cy up - on us,
world, have mer - cy up - on us,
world, grant us Thy peace.



A - men.

THE DISTRIBUTION WITH HYMN # 467 (Please follow the ushers directions)

THE POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: (Please stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS (*DS setting three, p.199-200*)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast Prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

P: 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 in 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.

C: (Sing) **Amen.**

THE BENEDICTION:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace

C: (Sing) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" #649