# **Confession and Absolution**

#### 907 God Himself Is Present 1 God Him - self is pres - ent: Let us now a - dore Him 2 God Him - self pres - ent: Hear the harps re - sound - ing; is 3 Fount of bless - ing, Pu - ri - fy my ev - 'ry spir - it. $\mathbf{O}$ θ And with awe ap - pear be - fore Him. God is in His See the hosts the throne sur - round ing. "Ho - ly, ho - ly, Trust-ing on - ly Your it. Like the ho - ly in mer tem ple; All with - in keep si - lence; Hum - bly kneel in ho -Īy!" Hear the hymn as - cend - ing, Songs of saints and Wor - ship - ing be - fore May I cease-less an gels, You, O θ 0 $\mathbf{O}$ 0 deep - est 'rence. He a lone On His throne rev an - gels blend Bow Your ear To here: ing. us dore Let Your will Ev -You. still a er ly Is our God and Sav - ior; Praise His name for - ev - er! Hear, O Christ, the prais - es That Your Church now rais - es. Rule Your Church ter - res - trial As ce - les - tial. the hosts Text: Gerhard Tersteegen, 1697-1769, abr.; tr. Frederick W. Foster, 1760-1835, alt.; tr. John Miller, 1756-90, alt. Tune: Joachim Neander, 1650-80 Text and tune: Public domain

#### Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- 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 Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

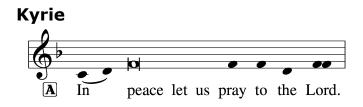
C Amen.

Stand

# Service of the Word

## Introit

Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,\* and cleanse me | from my sin! Purge me with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;\* wash me, and I shall be whit- | er than snow. Create in me a clean heart, | O God,\* and renew a right spirit with- | in me. Cast me not away from your | presence,\* and take not your Holy Spirit | from me. Restore to me the joy of your sal- | vation,\* and uphold me with a willing | spirit. 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. Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,\* and cleanse me | from my sin!



Introit







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# Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### Sit

## **Old Testament Reading**

#### Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

"Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. . . .

Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

"Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

# Psalm

PF

Psalm 119:129-136; antiphon: v. 132

Your testimonies are wonderful; therefore my soul keeps them. The unfolding of your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple.
I open my mouth and pant, because I long for your commandments.
Turn to me and be gracious to me, as is your way with those who love your name.
Keep steady my steps according to your promise, and let no iniquity get dominion over me.
Redeem me from man's oppression, that I may keep your precepts.
Make your face shine upon your servant, and teach me your statutes.
My eyes shed streams of tears, because people do not keep your law.

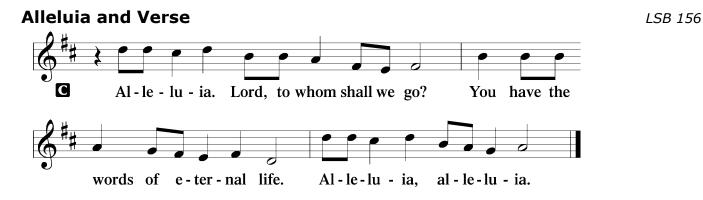
## **Epistle**

Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### Stand



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## **Holy Gospel**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.



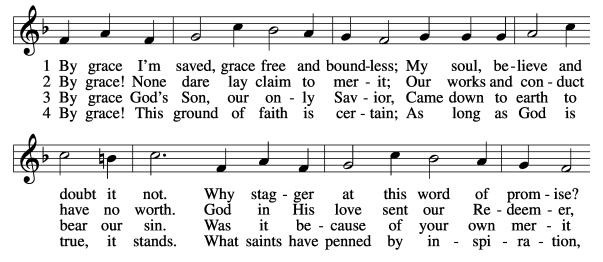
[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him." And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

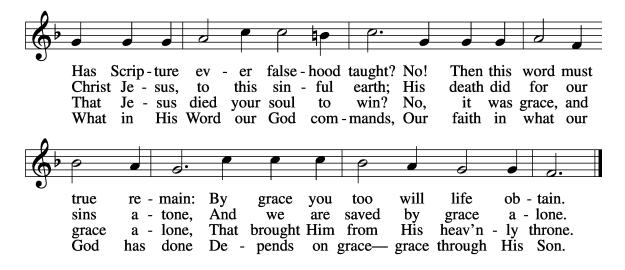
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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## 566 By Grace I'm Saved





5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried, By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,

The Father's heart is open wide. Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?

By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
 In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
 For though I know my heart's condition,
 I also know my Savior's voice.

My heart is glad, all grief has flown

Since I am saved by grace alone. Text: Christian Ludwig Scheidt, 1709–61; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt. Tune: Cornelius Heinrich Dretzel, 1697–1775 Text and tune: Public domain

# Sermon

#### Stand

## **Nicene Creed**

- 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 worshiped 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 T of the world to come. Amen.

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

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# Offering

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## Offertory

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C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

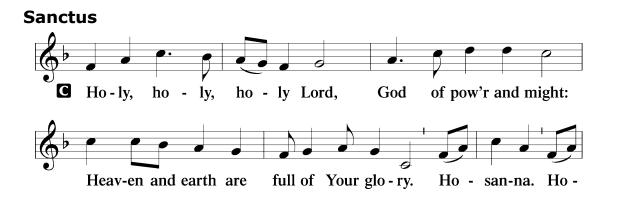
Prayer of the Church

# Service of the Sacrament

Preface



P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





# The Words of Our Lord

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 T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

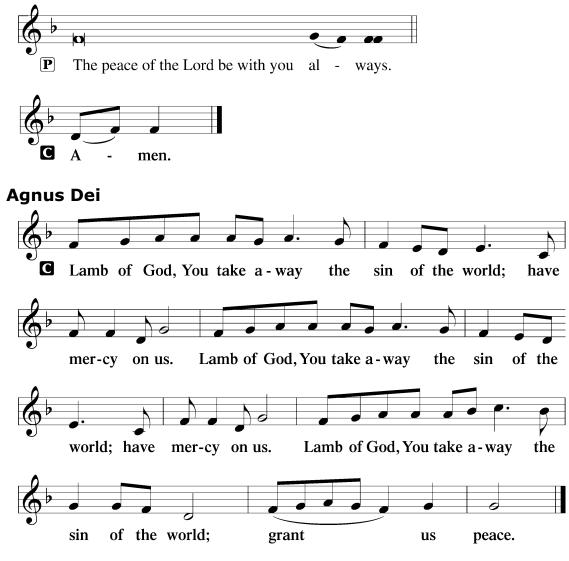
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

 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.

## Pax Domini



#### Sit

## Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. **Amen.** 

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.** 

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:* 

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart T in peace.

#### 565 Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ 1 Thy works, not mine, 0 Christ, Speak glad - ness this to heart; 2 Thy wounds, not 0 my mine, Christ, Can heal soul; bruis - ed 3 Thy cross, not mine. 0 Christ. Has borne the load crush - ing 4 Thy Christ, death, not mine, 0 Has paid the ran - som due; 5 Thy righ - teous - ness, 0 Christ, Α lone can cov - er me; \_ They tell all me is done, They bid my fear de - part. Thy stripes, not mine, con - tain The balm that makes me whole. Of sins that none could bear But the in - car - nate God. Ten thou - sand deaths like mine Would have been all too few. No righ - teous - ness a - vails Save that which of Thee. is Refrain To whom save Thee, Who canst a-lone For sin a-tone, Lord, shall I flee? Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89, alt.

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# 567 Not What These Hands Have Done

1 Not what these hands done Can save this guilt have у soul; 2 Not what Ι feel do Can give me peace with God; or 3 Thy work 0 Christ, Can ease this weight of a lone, sin: 4 Thy love 0 God, Not mine, O Lord, to me, to Thee. Not what this toil - ing flesh has borne Can make my spir - it whole. Not all my prayers and sighs and tears Can bear my aw - ful load. Thy blood a - lone, O Lamb of God, Can give me peace with - in. Can rid me of this dark un - rest And set my spir - it free.

- 5 Thy grace alone, O God, To me can pardon speak;
   Thy pow'r alone, O Son of God, Can this sore bondage break.
- 6 I bless the Christ of God, I rest on love divine,

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#### And with unfalt'ring lip and heart I call this Savior mine.

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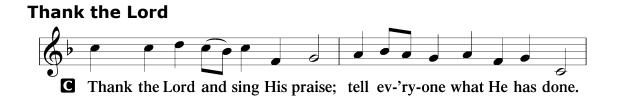
#### 665 Be Strong in the Lord τ 1 Be of light, strong in Lord In the mor ar -2 In teg - ri - ty You gird round to im part 3 With ea - ger - ness Stand firm shod in your place, 4 Though Sa - tan pre To sume test you and try, -5 So wield well your blade, Re joice in its pow'rs, With hel - met and With shield for fight; sword, the Word The truth of His As truth in vour heart: Or for God With news of His grace; go forth In hel - met and plume Your head shall be high; Fight on un - dis -For Je - sus mayed is ours! On prayer be de - pen - dent, Be belt - ed shod, and His righ-teous-ness wear - ing As breast-plate of mail, No foe shall dis - arm Nor force you vield. you to temp - ta -Be - set by your Lord, tion Be true to Then in Him vic - to rious Your ar - mor lay down, breast - plate re splen - dent: The of God. ar - mor In vic - to - ry pre - vail. His shar - ing, Be strong to ar - row With faith No can harm you as your shield. Your hel - met sal va - tion And Scrip - ture your sword. glo - rious, His cross His To praise, ev - er and crown. Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1926-2024

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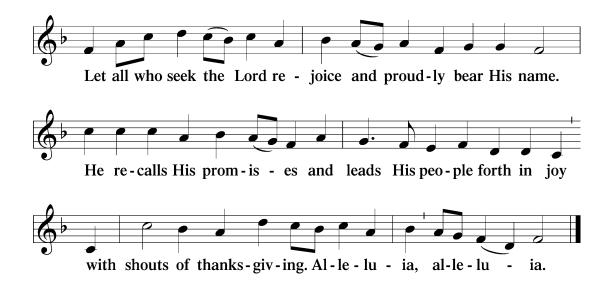
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#### Stand



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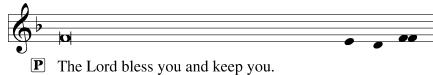
## **Post-Communion Collect**

A Let us pray.

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.



#### Benediction



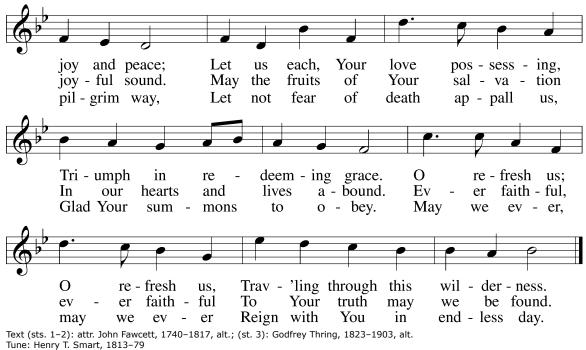
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

G A - men.

## 924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



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