

"BY GRACE ARE YOU SAVED" EPHESIANS 2:8-9



We are a Biblical church giving God's Word first place in our faith and life.
We are a Lutheran church that proclaims forgiveness for all through Jesus Christ.
We are a Christian church that gather to praise God, to be strengthened by His Word, and to reach out to those around us in Christian love.

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EASTER 7

THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

1. The Entrance Hymn: #392, "On Christ's Ascension I Now Build"

2. The Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit **C: ♪ Amen.**

3. The Confession and Absolution I

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

C: ♪ Who made heav' n and earth.

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

C: ♪ And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.

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 deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, 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: I ask each of you, in the presence of God who searches the heart: Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins? **C: I do.**

P: Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins, and do you desire forgiveness in His name? **C: I do.**

P: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit. May He comfort your heart by His holy Absolution, and strengthen you by His Sacraments, that your joy may be full. Peace be with you! **C: Amen.**

4, 5. Introit/Gloria Patri

L: ♪ Hear, O God, when I / cry with my voice ... Al / le-lu-ia!

C: The Lord is my light and / my salvation: Whom / shall I fear?

L: When You said / "Seek my face" ... my heart said / to You:

C: Your face, O Lord / I will seek ... Do not hide ? Your face from me.

All: Glory be to the Father, / and to the Son, and to / the Holy Ghost; as it was in the be- / -ginning, is now, and ever shall be: forever- / -more. Amen.

6. The Kyrie Eleison

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us

7. The Gloria In Excelsis, p. 64

L: ♪ Glory be to God on high:

C: And on earth peace, good will toward men.

L: We praise You, we bless You, we worship You.

C: We glorify You, we give thanks to You, for Your great glory.

All: O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

L: O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

C: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

L: You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

C: You take away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

All: You are seated at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

L: For You only are holy,

C: You only are the Lord.

All: You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

8. The Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

9. Collect: Almighty, everlasting God, grant us always to have a devout will towards You, and the desire to serve Your majesty with a pure heart; through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

10. The Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 36:25-27

Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

11. The Gradual

L: ♪ Al / le-lu-ia! ... Christ / our Pass-ov-er

C: Was sacrificed/ for us ... Al / le-lu-ia!

12. Epistle: I Peter 4:7-11

But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

13. The Verse

L: Al / le-lu-ia! ... The Lord / is risen!

C: He is / risen indeed! Al / le-lu-ia!

14. Gospel: The Holy Gospel is written in the 15th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, beginning at the 26th verse. (rise)

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord

But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me. And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

"These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble. They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service. And these things they will do to you because they have not known the Father nor Me. But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them.

And these things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you

C: ♪ Praise be to You O Christ

15. The 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 is seated at the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom shall 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 † of the world to come. Amen.

16. The Chief Hymn: #395, "Awake, Thou Spirit, Who Didst Fire"

17. Sermon Text/Theme: John 15:26-16:4 "The Spirit Testifies of Jesus"

P: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and mind in Christ Jesus unto everlasting life. Amen.

18. The Offertory verse:

Hymn, #355:1,6,7

**C: ♪ Now Christ is risen! Death's reign is over!
Lives now our Lord forever and ever!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Glorious He'll raise now all who confess Him,
Those who in faith here honor and bless Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**To heaven's gladness He will receive us,
Where nothing then shall anymore grieve us!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

19. The Prayer of the Church

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

20. The Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

P; Lift up your hearts.

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

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

C: ♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.

C: ♪ It is good and right so to do.

21. Proper Preface and Sanctus:

P: It is good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God: You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal fest. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

C♯: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

22. The Exhortation (See Insert)

23. The Lord's Prayer (sung in unison)

♪ **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 pow'r and the glory forever and ever. Amen**

24. The Words of Institution

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: "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, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My + blood, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. This do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

25. The Pax Domini P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C ♯ :Amen**

26. Agnus Dei

C: ♯ O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, grant us Your peace. Amen.

27. The Distribution and Hymn: #328, Soul, Adorn Thyself With Gladness"

28. The Nunc Dimittis

C: ♯ Lord, now You let Your servant depart in peace according to Your word. For my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Your 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, forevermore. Amen

29. The Collect of Thanksgiving I

P : O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: ♯ And His mercy endures forever.

P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through these salutary gifts, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through them 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 true God, now and forever.

C♯:Amen.

31. The Salutation

P: The Lord be with you. **C: ♯ And with your spirit.**

32. The Benedicamus

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: ♪ Thanks be to God!

33. The Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give + you peace.

C: ♪ Amen, amen, amen.

34. The Closing Hymn: #33, "We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost"