

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



Henry Ossawa Tanner - Nicodemus & Jesus (1899)

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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TRINITY 1

THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

1. The Entrance Hymn: #5, "Lord Jesus, Though But Two or Three"

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: Blessed be the Holy /Tri-ni-ty ... and the undivided / U-ni-ty:

C: Let us give / glory to Him ... because He has shown / mercy to us.

L: O Lord / our Lord ... how excellent is Your name / in all the earth!

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 - Hymn, #35:1

**C: ♪ 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 reign on earth again:
O thank Him for His goodness!**

8. The Salutation

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

9. Collect: Almighty God, by Your grace alone we are called into Your kingdom, to confess the true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the true Unity: We beseech You, that You would keep us steadfast in this faith, and ever more defend us from all adversities: For You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign one true God, now and forever

C: ♪ **Amen.**

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

10. The Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-7

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one cried to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
The whole earth is full of His glory!”

And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke.

So I said:

“Woe is me, for I am undone!
Because I am a man of unclean lips,
And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips;
For my eyes have seen the King,
The Lord of hosts.”

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal which he had taken with the tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth with it, and said:

“Behold, this has touched your lips;
Your iniquity is taken away,
And your sin purged.”

11. Hymn Response: #39:1-3

12. Epistle: Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!

“For who has known the mind of the Lord?
Or who has become His counselor?”
“Or who has first given to Him
And it shall be repaid to him?”

For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

13. Hymn Response: #39:4-5

14. Gospel: The Holy Gospel is written in the 3rd chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, beginning at the 1st verse. (rise)

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord

There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, “Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.”

Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

Nicodemus said to Him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?”

Jesus answered, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

Nicodemus answered and said to Him, “How can these things be?”

Jesus answered and said to him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things? Most assuredly, I say to you, We speak what We know and testify what We have seen, and you do not receive Our witness. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

C: ♪ Praise be to You O Christ

15. The Athanasian Creed (See accompanying sheet or pdf)

16. The Chief Hymn: #39:6-10

17. Sermon Text/Theme: John 3:1-15, “The Three In One God At Work For Your Salvation”

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:

C: ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with Your free Spirit. Amen.

18b. Offering

The offering will not be taken in service during the pandemic restrictions. They may be left in the offering plate by the double doors upon leaving the service. Offerings may also be given online at savedbygracelutheranchurch.org and clicking the donate tab. Also....

Saved by Grace is taking up a special offering to help our church's synod. Our goal is to send more than \$1000 by 6/30/20. The church budget has already pledged \$500. You can indicate this special offering by writing "Synod Gift" on your check, envelope, or in the note section of the online offering website.

19. The Prayer of the Church

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

20. The Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

P; Lift up your hearts.

C: ♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.

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

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 Distribution Hymn #s 37 & 403, " We All Believe in One True God," "God Love the World So That He Gave"

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: #592, "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

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