

"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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LENT 4

THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

1. The Entrance Hymn: #25, "O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace" (Please stand at the last verse)

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: ♪ Rejoice with Jerusalem, and 'be glad with her / all you who 'love her.

C: Rejoice 'with her / all you who mourn 'for her.

L: I was glad when 'they said to me / let us go into the 'house of the Lord

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 289:5-6

C: ♪ Je-sus, my great High Priest,

Offered His blood and died;

My guilty conscience seeks

No Sacrifice beside.

His pow'rful blood did once atone;

And now it pleads before the throne.

**My Advocate appears
For my defense on high,
The Father bows His ear,
And lays His anger by.
Not all that hell or sin can say
Shall turn His heart, His love away.**

8. The Salutation

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

9. Collect

P: Grant, we beseech You, almighty God, that we who deserve to be punished for our evil deeds, may mercifully be relieved by the comfort of Your grace; 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: Isaiah 49:8-13

Thus says the Lord:

“In an acceptable time I have heard You,
And in the day of salvation I have helped You;
I will preserve You and give You
As a covenant to the people,
To restore the earth,
To cause them to inherit the desolate heritages;
That You may say to the prisoners, ‘Go forth,’
To those who *are* in darkness, ‘Show yourselves.’

“They shall feed along the roads,
And their pastures *shall be* on all desolate heights.
They shall neither hunger nor thirst,
Neither heat nor sun shall strike them;
For He who has mercy on them will lead them,
Even by the springs of water He will guide them.
I will make each of My mountains a road,
And My highways shall be elevated.
Surely these shall come from afar;
Look! Those from the north and the west,
And these from the land of Sinim.”

Sing, O heavens!
Be joyful, O earth!
And break out in singing, O mountains!
For the Lord has comforted His people,
And will have mercy on His afflicted.

11. Gradual:

L: ♪ Christ humbled himself and became obedient to ‘the point of death

C: Even the death ‘of the cross.

12. Epistle: Galatians 4:21-31

Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law? For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. But he *who was* of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar— for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children— but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all. For it is written:

“Rejoice, O barren,
You who do not bear!
Break forth and shout,
You who are not in labor!
For the desolate has many more children
Than she who has a husband.”

Now we, brethren, as Isaac *was*, are children of promise. But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him *who was born* according to the Spirit, even so *it is* now. Nevertheless what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.” So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman but of the free.

13. Responce:

L: ♪ Lord, by Your cross and resurrection, You ‘have set us free.

C: You are the Savior ‘of the world.

14. Gospel: The Holy Gospel is written in the 6th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, beginning at the 15th verse. (rise)

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord!

After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is *the Sea* of Tiberias. Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. And Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat with His disciples.

Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. Then Jesus lifted up *His* eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?” But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do.

Philip answered Him, “Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little.”

One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to Him, “There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?”

Then Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed *them* to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, “Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost.” Therefore they gathered *them* up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, “This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world.”

Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to the mountain by Himself alone.

C: ♪ Praise be to You O Christ!

15. The Nicene Creed, p. 69

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: #264, "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

17. Sermon Text/Theme: John 6:1-15, "The Bread Of Life Opens His Hands and Satisfies Us"

P: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds 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 a member congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS), having joined the right hand of fellowship with the other ELS congregations to operate our seminary and do mission work. Since we do not have the ELS as a line item in our budget, if you would like to give an offering to the ELS, envelopes are provided in the church entry marked, "My Offering for the Evangelical Lutheran Synod"

19. The Prayer of the Church

The Apostolic Benediction:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit + be with you all.

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 Distribution Hymn: #320, "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Bestowed"

The Dismissal P: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His precious blood strengthen and preserve you in the true faith to † everlasting life. Depart in peace.

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: #265, "Wide Open Are Thy Hands"