

"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 2

THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

1. The Entrance Hymn: #341:1-5, "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" (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: ♪ As newborn babes, desire the pure 'milk of the word. / Al-'e-lu-ia!

C: Hear, all my people, and I will admonish you 'O Israel / if you would 'isten to me! L: Sing aloud to God 'our strength /make a joyful shout to the 'God of Jacob

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. A-men.

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:

♪ **Glory be to God on high:**

And on earth peace, good will toward men.

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

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

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

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
You take away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.**

**For You only are holy, You only are the Lord.
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

P: Grant, we beseech You, almighty God, that we who have celebrated the solemnities of the Lord's resurrection, may, your grace, bring forth the fruits thereof in our life and conduct;; through the same 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: Job 19:25-27

For I know *that* my Redeemer lives,
And He shall stand at last on the earth;
And after my skin is destroyed, this *I know*,
That in my flesh I shall see God,
Whom I shall see for myself,
And my eyes shall behold, and not another.
How my heart yearns within me!

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 John 5:4-12

For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is He who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son. He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son. And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

13. The Alleluia:

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 20th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, beginning at the 19th verse. (rise)

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord!

Then, the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace *be* with you." When He had said this, He showed them *His* hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on *them*, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they are retained."

Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord."

So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."

And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand *here*, and put *it* into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing."

And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed *are* those who have not seen and *yet* have believed."

And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

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: #366, “Ye Sons and Daughters of the King”

17. Sermon Text/Theme: John 20:19-31/ John 5:4-12, “Jesus’ Victory Is Your Victory By Faith”

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: Hymn: #343:1,5,7, “Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands”

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; but chiefly are we bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord for He is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world. By His death He has destroyed death, and by His rising to life again He has restored to us everlasting life. 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: #354, "Like the Golden Sun Ascending"

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: #431:6-8, "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"