

# **“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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## Michael-tide: Trinity 20

### I. The Service of Preparation

**1.The Entrance Hymn: #24** “Lord, Open Thou My Heart to Hear”

**2. The Invocation, p 60**

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

**3. The Confession and Absolution, Rite I, p 60**

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.

P: 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: ♪ The Lord our God is righteous in all the 'works which he does, / though we have not 'obey'd his voice.

**C: Give glory to your name, ' *O Lord*, / and deal with your servant according 'to your mercy.**

L: Great is the Lord, and great-'ly to be prais'd / in the city of our God, in His 'holy mountain.

**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, p. 63**

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

#### **7. The Gloria in Excelsis, p. 64:**

♪ 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. 66**

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

#### **9. Collect, p. 66**

P: Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve You with a quiet mind; 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.**

## **II. The Service of the Word**

### **10. The Old Testament Lesson:** Isaiah 65:1-2

“I was sought by those who did not ask for Me;

I was found by those who did not seek Me.

I said, ‘Here I am, here I am,’

To a nation that was not called by My name.

I have stretched out My hands all day long to a rebellious people,

Who walk in a way that is not good,

According to their own thoughts;

### **11. The Gradual:**

L: ♪ Al - ’e-lu-ia! / Put on the whole ‘armor of God,

**C:** That you may be able to stand against the wiles ‘of the devil / Al - ’e-lu-ia!

### **12. Epistle:** Ephesians 5:15-21

See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another in the fear of God.

### **13. The Alleluia:**

L: ♪ Al - ’e-lu-ia! / Your ‘*Word* is truth.

**C:** Sanctify us ‘*in* Your truth. / Al - ’e-lu-ia!

### **14. Gospel, p. 68:**

P: The Holy Gospel is written in the 22nd chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse. (rise)

**C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord!**

And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: “The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding.”’ But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.

Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.’ So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

“For many are called, but few are chosen.”

P: This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**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:** #511, “Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide”

**17. Sermon Text/Theme:** Matthew 22:1-14, “The Wedding Garment You Need for the Son’s Wedding”

**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, p. 70:** ♪ 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:** As the offering is brought forward, the congregation sings Hymn # 445:1,2

♪We give Thee but Thine own,  
Whate’er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus  
As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,  
To Thee our first-fruits give!

*(In addition to giving for home purposes at Saved By Grace Lutheran church, our congregation is also a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod [ELS]. As a member congregation of the ELS we have joined the right hand of fellowship with the other ELS congregations to operate our seminary and to do mission work. 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")*

**Reception of New Member:** Crystal Rakos

**Hymn:** 420:1-4, "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds"

## **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.

## **III. The Service of Holy Communion**

### **20. The Preface, p. 72**

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. 73 and p. 76:**

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; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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, p. 77 (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. 78**

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. 79**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: ♪ Amen**

### **26. Agnus Dei, p. 79**

**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: #328, "Soul Adorn Thyself with Gladness"**

**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, p. 81**

**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. 88**

**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. 84**

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

**32. The Benedicamus, p 84**

**P**♪: Let us bless the Lord. **C:** ♪ **Thanks be to God!**

**33.The Benediction, p. 84**

**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: #210, “Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”**