

Saved By Grace
Lutheran Church
Trinity III: Michaelmas
Theme: Angels
September 29, 2024



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 gathers to praise God, to be strengthened by His Word, and to reach out to those around us in Christian love.

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Welcome! We are glad you can join us today. If you are a guest and/or if you would like a visit from the pastor, please fill out a pew card and put it in the offering plate. May God bless the hearing of his Word!

Our communion practice: On Sundays that we have the Lord's Supper, we follow the guidance of the Scriptures and the example of the historic Christian Church by practicing close communion. If you are not a member of our congregation, please speak with the pastor before communing.

Service of Word and Sacrament, Rite II, p. 60

1. The Entrance Hymn: #547

2. The Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ♪ **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. ♪ **Who made heav' n and earth.**

I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord; ♪ **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.

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.

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? **I do.**

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

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! **Amen.**

4,5. Introit/Gloria Patri

♪ Bless the Lord, 'you His angels,/ who excel in strength ' and do His Word.

Bless the Lord, 'all you His hosts,/ who see the 'voice of His Word.

Bless the Lord, 'O my soul;/ And all that is within me, bless 'His Holy name!

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

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

7. The Gloria in Excelsis: Hymn 36:1

♪ All glory be to God alone,

Forevermore the Highest One

Who dost our sinful race befriend

And grace and peace to us extend.

Among mankind may His goodwill

All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.

8. The Salutation

The Lord be with you. ♪ **And with your spirit.**

9. Collect

O everlasting God, You have ordained and constituted the services of the angels and men in a wonderful order: Mercifully grant that, as Your holy angels always serve You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may also help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. ♪ **Amen.**

10. The Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 28:10-17

Now Jacob went out from Beersheba and went toward Haran. So he came to a certain place and stayed there all night, because the sun had set. And he took one of the stones of that place and put it at his head, and he lay down in that place to sleep. Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder was set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.

And behold, the LORD stood above it and said: "I *am* the LORD God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants. Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed. Behold, I *am* with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you."

Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know *it*." And he was afraid and said, "How awesome *is* this place! This *is* none other than the house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven!"

11. The Gradual:

♪ Al - 'le-lu-ia! / Put on the whole 'armor of God,

That you may be able to stand against the wiles 'of the devil / Al - 'le-lu-ia!

12. Epistle: Revelation 12:7-12

And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time."

13. The Alleluia:

♪ Al - 'le-lu-ia! / Your 'Word is truth. **Sanctify us 'in Your truth. / Al - 'le-lu-ia!**

14. Gospel: The Holy Gospel is written in the 10th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, beginning at the 1st verse. (rise) C: ♪ **Glory be to You, O Lord!**

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me.

“But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea. Woe to the world because of offenses! For offenses must come, but woe to that man by whom the offense comes! “If your hand or foot causes you to sin, cut it off and cast *it* from you. It is better for you to enter into life lame or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet, to be cast into the everlasting fire. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and cast *it* from you. It is better for you to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire.

“Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven. For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost.

This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ♪ **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: 545:1-10, (tune, Tallis” Canon)

17. Sermon

18. The Offertory verse:

♪ 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!

19. The Prayer of the Church

The Exhortation (See *Exhortation*, p. 77 or *Christian Questions and Answers*, p. 38-39)

Hymn of Preparation: #324:1, 4, 7-8, 13-14

20. The Preface

The Lord be with you. ♪ **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts. ♪ **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. ♪ **It is good and right so to do.**

21. Proper Preface and Sanctus:

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, (*...the seasonal preface is prayed...*) Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

♪ **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.**

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

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

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

26. Agnus Dei

♪ **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.**

28. The Nunc Dimittis

♪ **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

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good. ♪ **And His mercy endures forever.**

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. ♪ **Amen.**

31. The Salutation

The Lord be with you. ♪ **And with your spirit.**

32. The Benedicamus

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

33. The Benediction

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: #545:10-16 (tune, Tallis' Canon)

Calendar

- Today
 - Sunday School/Bible Class, 11:30 AM
- Wednesday - Friday
 - General Pastors Conference, Minneapolis, MN
- Sunday, October 6
 - Service of Word and Sacrament, 10 AM
 - Sunday School/Bible Class, 11:30 AM
- October
 - Apologetics Seminar – Bethany Lutheran, the Dalles, last Saturday in October