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October 13, 2024

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# The Divine Service

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## AS WE GATHER

*Jesus' conversation with the rich man seems to point out how childish the man is. The reality is that we all are tempted like him to believe that the things of this life are our real treasures and the works we do in this life determine if we are saved. The man could not let go of either—not of his own prospect of earning the kingdom of God nor of his many possessions and wealth that secured his life. The man was disheartened by the choice between Christ and these things when in reality there is no choice at all. Our wealth is temporary and relative and our works small and insufficient. Christ is the assurance of our salvation.*

## Words of Welcome

### Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.*

### Confession and Absolution

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\dagger$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**Processional Hymn**      **"God of Grace and God of Glory"**      LSB 850 *sts. 1, 4*



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils



pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;  
we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion



Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,  
Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this  
grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -



hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.  
dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

## Kyrie

LSB 168

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** **Amen.**




*Refrain*




**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*



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Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

- P** Let us pray. Gracious heavenly Father, every good and perfect gift comes from You, and You provide us with everything we need for the support and needs of the body. Grant us repentance for misusing Your gift of money in self-serving and wasteful ways and grant us gratitude for the income You provide for our needs. Lead us to manage Your gift of money to Your glory and to be cheerful givers in serving our neighbors; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## The Old Testament Reading

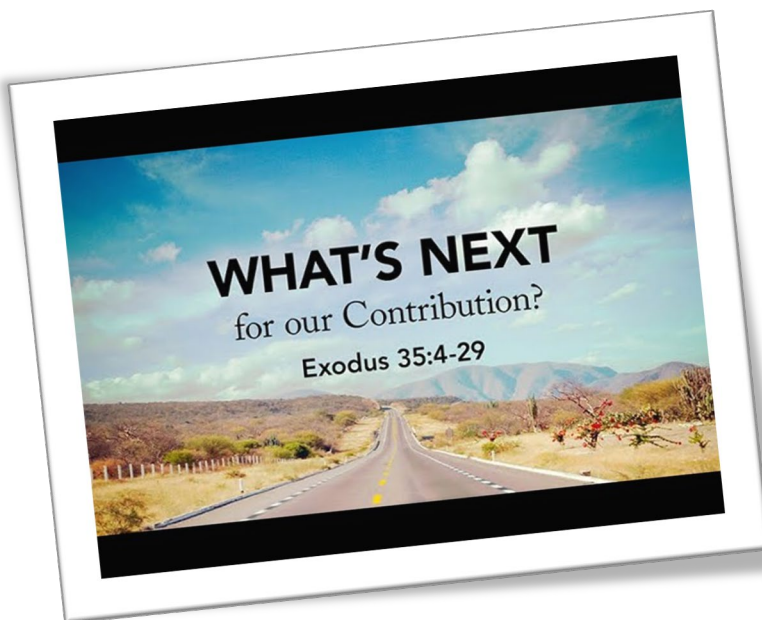
*Exodus 35:4–29*

<sup>4</sup>Moses said to all the congregation of the people of Israel, "This is the thing that the Lord has commanded. <sup>5</sup>Take from among you a contribution to the Lord. Whoever is of a generous heart, let him bring the Lord's contribution: gold, silver, and bronze; <sup>6</sup>blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen; goats' hair, <sup>7</sup>tanned rams' skins, and goatskins; acacia wood, <sup>8</sup>oil for the light, spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense, <sup>9</sup>and onyx stones and stones for setting, for the ephod and for the breastpiece. <sup>10</sup>"Let every skillful craftsman among you come and make all that the Lord has commanded: <sup>11</sup>the tabernacle, its tent and its covering, its hooks and its frames, its bars, its pillars, and its bases; <sup>12</sup>the ark with its poles, the mercy seat, and the veil of the screen; <sup>13</sup>the table with its poles and all its utensils, and the bread of the Presence; <sup>14</sup>the lampstand also for the light, with its utensils and its lamps, and the oil for the light; <sup>15</sup>and the altar of incense, with its poles, and the anointing oil and the fragrant incense, and the screen for the door, at the door of the tabernacle; <sup>16</sup>the altar of burnt offering, with its grating of bronze, its poles, and all its utensils, the basin and its stand; <sup>17</sup>the hangings of the court, its pillars and its bases, and the screen for the gate of the court; <sup>18</sup>the pegs of the tabernacle and the pegs of the court, and their cords; <sup>19</sup>the finely worked garments for ministering in the Holy Place, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, for their service as priests." <sup>20</sup>Then all the congregation of the

people of Israel departed from the presence of Moses. <sup>21</sup>And they came, everyone whose heart stirred him, and everyone whose spirit moved him, and brought the Lord's contribution to be used for the tent of meeting, and for all its service, and for the holy garments. <sup>22</sup>So they came, both men and women. All who were of a willing heart brought brooches and earrings and signet rings and armlets, all sorts of gold objects, every man dedicating an offering of gold to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>And every one who possessed blue or purple or scarlet yarns or fine linen or goats' hair or tanned rams' skins or goatskins brought them. <sup>24</sup>Everyone who could make a contribution of silver or bronze brought it as the Lord's contribution. And every one who possessed acacia wood of any use in the work brought it. <sup>25</sup>And every skillful woman spun with her hands, and they all brought what they had spun in blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen. <sup>26</sup>All the women whose hearts stirred them to use their skill spun the goats' hair. <sup>27</sup>And the leaders brought onyx stones and stones to be set, for the ephod and for the breastpiece, <sup>28</sup>and spices and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the fragrant incense. <sup>29</sup>All the men and women, the people of Israel, whose heart moved them to bring anything for the work that the Lord had commanded by Moses to be done brought it as a freewill offering to the Lord.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**



<sup>6</sup>The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. <sup>7</sup>Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup>And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. <sup>9</sup>As it is written, “He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.” <sup>10</sup>He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. <sup>11</sup>You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. <sup>12</sup>For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. <sup>13</sup>By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, <sup>14</sup>while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. <sup>15</sup>Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### Alleluia and Verse

LSB 173

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.



**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup>And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' <sup>3</sup>And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' <sup>5</sup>So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' <sup>6</sup>He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' <sup>7</sup>Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' <sup>8</sup>The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. <sup>10</sup>"One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? <sup>13</sup>No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day      “Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service”      LSB 848 sts. 1, 4



1 Lord, whose love through hum-ble ser-vice Bore the weight of  
4 Called by wor-ship to Your ser-vice, Forth in Your dear



hu-man need, Who up-on the cross, for-sak-en,  
name we go, To the child, the youth, the a-ged,



Of-fered mer-cy's per-fect deed, We, Your ser-vants, bring the  
Love in liv-ing deeds to show; Hope and health, good-will and



wor-ship Not of voice a-lone, but heart, Con-se-  
com-fort, Coun-sel, aid, and peace we give, That Your



crat-ing to Your pur-pose Ev-'ry gift that You im-part.  
ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom May Your mer-cy know and live.

Sermon      “Managing God’s Gift – Money”      Pastor Scott Henze

Apostles’ Creed

**☒ I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Church

*Petitions end, "Lord, in your mercy..." "Congregation responds, "Hear our Prayer".*

## Offering

### Offertory Prayer

- P** Let us pray: Blessed are You, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

**A word about Holy Communion** *We are about to receive the Lord's Supper. Before you receive, you might consider the following questions: Do you believe you are a sinner? Do you believe Jesus Christ died for you and shed his blood for you on the cross for the forgiveness of your sins? Do you believe that in the Lord's Supper he gives you his true body and blood for the forgiveness of all your sins and strengthens your faith in him and your love for others? If you are a baptized Christian and share these Biblical truths, please come! Those who have not yet received instruction may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over their chest to indicate they are not receiving the elements.*

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### Proper Preface

## Sanctus

LSB 178

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## The Lord's Prayer

- P** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- C** **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 power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## Words of Institution

### The Peace of the Lord

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **And also with you.**

*(The congregation and minister may greet each other with the peace of the Lord)*

# Agnus Dei

LSB 180

Musical notation for the Agnus Dei hymn, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a common time signature. The melody is written on a single staff with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace."





1 Not for tongues of heav-en's an - gels, Not for wis - dom to dis -  
 2 Love is hum - ble, love is gen - tle, Love is ten - der, true, and  
 3 Nev - er jeal - ous, nev - er self - ish, Love will not re - joice in  
 4 In the day this world is fad - ing Faith and hope will play their



cern, Not for faith that mas - ters moun - tains, For this  
 kind; Love is gra - cious, ev - er pa - tient, Gen - er -  
 wrong; Nev - er boast - ful, nor re - sent - ful, Love be -  
 part; But when Christ is seen in glo - ry Love shall



bet - ter gift we yearn: May love be ours, O Lord.  
 ous of heart and mind: May love be ours, O Lord.  
 lieves and suf - fers long: May love be ours, O Lord.  
 reign in ev - 'ry heart: May love be ours, O Lord.

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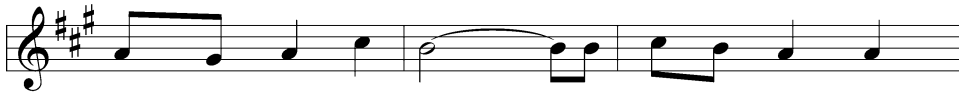


## “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

LSB 720



1 We walk by faith and not by sight, No  
2 We may not touch His hands and side, Nor  
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And  
4 For You, O res - ur - rect - ed Lord, Are  
5 Lord, when our life of faith is done, In



gra - cious words we hear From Him who spoke as  
fol - low where He trod; But in His prom - ise  
may our faith a - bound To call on You when  
found in means di - vine: Be - neath the wa - ter  
realms of clear - er light We may be - hold You



none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve Him near.  
we re - joice And cry “My Lord and God!”  
You are near And seek where You are found.  
and the Word, Be - neath the bread and wine.  
as You are, With full and end - less sight.

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## Closing of the Table



**Post Communion Canticle****“Thank the Lord”**

LSB 181

**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
 He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -  
 joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
 es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Post Communion Collect**

**P** O heavenly Father, our gracious God who gives all good things, we thank You for the riches of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who became poor that we might be made rich in Your forgiveness and life. Through this sacred Meal of His body and blood, strengthen us to receive Your gift of wealth with thanksgiving and be cheerful givers to Your glory and for the benefit of our neighbor; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Announcements****Benediction**



Recessional Hymn

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

LSB 700 *sts. 1, 4*

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of  
 4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and  
 heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy  
 spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy  
 hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
 great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,  
 Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -  
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in  
 bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with  
 heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our  
 Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

**Dismissal**

- P** Lord Jesus, you lead us! Now we go as....
- C** **Disciples making disciples.**
- P** Go in peace and serve the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God!**

## Mark Your Calendars!

- October 15, 2024**      **Small Groups Leadership Meeting**  
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- October 15, 2024**      **Grief Share**  
Tuesdays nights from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- October 16, 2024**      **Sixth Grade Confirmation**  
Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m.
- October 16, 2024**      **High School Spirit Night**  
Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m.
- October 17, 2024**      **Choir rehearsal**  
Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m.
- October 18, 2024**      **Oktoberfest.** All are invited! 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Oompah Band, Beer and Brats! Come join the fun and  
invite your friends and neighbors
- October 25, 2024**      **Trunk or Treat.** Do you want to participate in our  
Trunk or Treat? Decorate your car and hand out  
candy! All families are welcome to participate.
- October 27, 2024**      **Reformation Sunday** – Wear your RED
- November 15, 2024**      **Senior Youth Lock Out** An all-nighter out on the  
town. And back at church for a night full of fun till  
breakfast.
- November 16, 2024**      **Christian Artisan Market** from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.



**October 18th**  
**6:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

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