# The Divine Service

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 4, 2024



#### **AS WE GATHER**

Living at a time when it seems the Church is under attack, we might long for a time when everyone was looking for Jesus. Whether they know or realize it, the world is looking for Jesus, that is, for an answer to sin, fear, loneliness, pain, and death. Jesus is that answer. For this reason, our Lord had to continue to preach at the next town and the next. For this reason, we continue to proclaim the unchanging Gospel year in and year out, for it is the only Gospel by which any can be saved. May the Lord grant us zeal for His house and His kingdom!

#### **Confession and Absolution**

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

- $\mathbb{P}$  In the name of the Father and of the  $\mathbb{T}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto 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 heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto 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.
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# **Processional Hymn** "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" LSB 394 sts. 1, 5 1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word sa - ges from a - far. Man - i - fest - ed by the To star Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And pure art Thou; be pure, as Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem: That we might be-come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest. And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

Kyrie LSB 152

- 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.



## **Hymn of Praise**

## "This Is the Feast"





## **Salutation**

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

# **Prayer of the Day**

- P Let us pray.

  Merciful Lord, You have granted us a new identity and life in Christ, our Lord. Keep us, we pray, in this faith and life in Christ that we may know with confidence we belong to You and live secure in this knowledge both now and forevermore; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whom with You and the Holy Spirit, are one God, one Lord, now and forever.
- C Amen.



## The Rite of Holy Baptism

(11:00:a.m.)

Maria Caridad Broad Rafael Thomas Broad Scarlett Elizabeth Broad

# "This is a Joyous Happy Day"

This is a Joyous Happy Day.
We celebrate Your gift of life.
Christ is with us. Joy surrounds us.
Christ takes our sin and sets us free;
He fills our lives with endless life.
Christ is with us. Christ unites us.
Praise our Maker, praise the Spirit, Praise Christ Jesus.

The Old Testament Isaiah 40:21–31

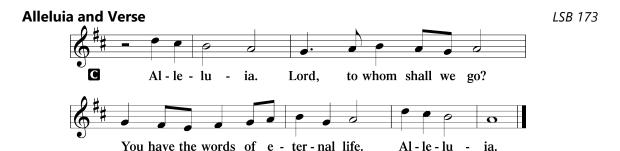
<sup>21</sup>Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?<sup>22</sup>It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in;<sup>23</sup>who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.<sup>24</sup>Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. 25 To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. 26 Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing.<sup>27</sup>Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?<sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.<sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. 30 Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted;<sup>31</sup>but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** 1 Corinthians 9:16–27

<sup>16</sup>If I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. <sup>19</sup>For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings. <sup>24</sup>Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. <sup>25</sup>Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. <sup>26</sup>So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. <sup>27</sup>But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.



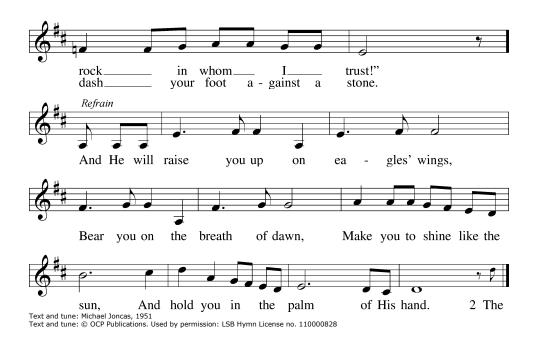
Holy Gospel Mark 1:29–39

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.
- **C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>29</sup>Immediately [Jesus] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. <sup>31</sup>And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. <sup>32</sup>That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered together at the door. <sup>34</sup>And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. <sup>35</sup>And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, <sup>37</sup>and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

#### **Hymn of the Day** "On Eagles' Wings" LSB 727 sts. 1, 4 1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord. Who a -4 For His gels To an -He's giv - en com - mand bide in His life, shad - ow for guard you in all of your ways; Up Say the Lord: "My\_ ref uge, My\_ their\_\_\_\_ hands they will bear Lest you on you up,



Sermon

"You Are My Everything"

**Pastor Scott Henze** 

**Apostles' Creed** 

(8:30 a.m. only)

C 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** Prayer *Choir, 8:30 a.m.* 

## **Offertory Prayer**

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Receive now these gifts you have first given and fill us with good things at your table, that we might joyfully and generously share all you have given us, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord. 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**

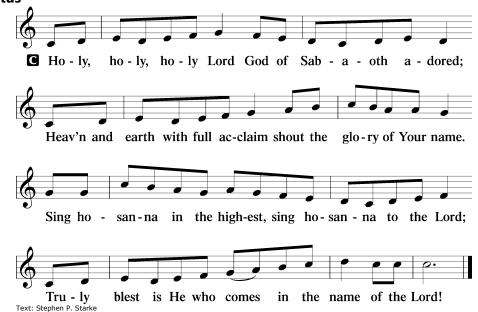
#### **Preface**

- 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 208



## The Lord's Prayer

- P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- 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.

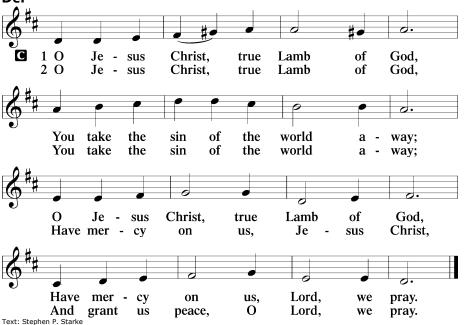
#### **Words of Institution**

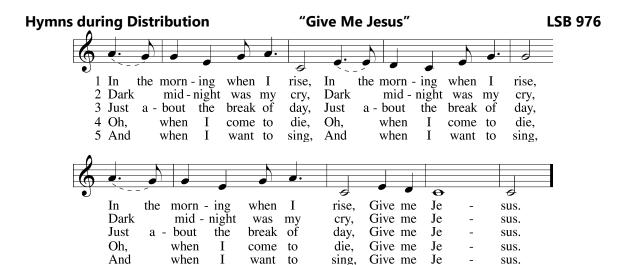
## The Peace of the Lord

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

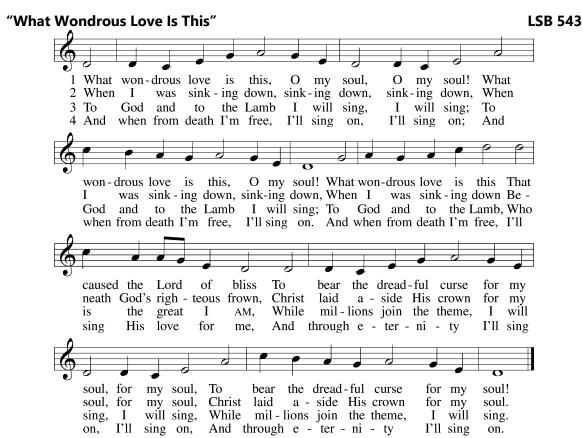
(The congregation and minister may greet each other with the peace of the Lord)

Agnus Dei LSB 210









## **Closing of the Table**

## **Post Communion Canticle**



## **Post-Communion Prayer**

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Announcements**

Preschool choir 11:00 a.m.

### **Benediction**



#### 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!



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