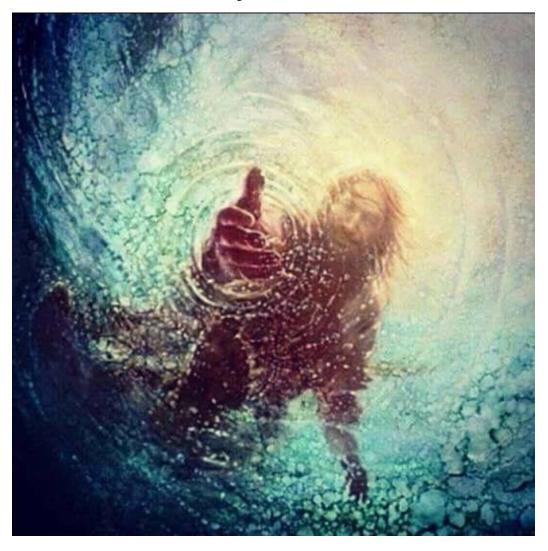
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And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea.

Mark 6:48b

# The Divine Service

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#### **AS WE GATHER**

Sometimes the brightness of the day we are experiencing can affect how we perceive the space in which we are worshiping. A bright, sunny day can lift our spirits; a dark, cloudy day can have the opposite effect. Throughout the pages of Scriptures, God is associated with brightness and light. His setting of the rainbow in the heavens, recorded in the book of Genesis, is a symbol of God's promises to His faithful people. Images mentioned in our hymns also attest to the powerful brightness of God, as in "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright" (*LSB* 874), written by Ambrose of Milan in the fourth century. Whether a day has sunny skies or dull clouds or even rainbows, the very presence of God among us brings an eternal brightness to our time of worship.

#### **Prelude**

#### Invocation

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

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

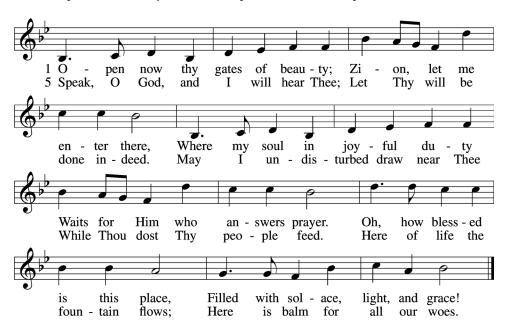
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- P With Joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

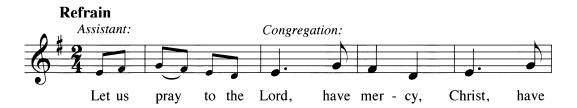
# Processional Hymn "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

LSB 901 sts. 1, 5



# **Kyrie**

A In peace, in peace...





- A For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the... Refrain
- A For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the... Refrain





# **Hymn of Praise:**

## "Now the Feast"





#### **Salutation**

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

## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. Gracious God, You provide for our needs in miraculous ways. Help us to trust in Your provision for us and for all to whom You send us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reign with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **The Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 9:8-17

<sup>8</sup> God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>"Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, <sup>10</sup> and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." <sup>12</sup>And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, <sup>15</sup>I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup>When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." <sup>17</sup>God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

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

**Epistle** Ephesians 3:14–21

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, <sup>16</sup>that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup>so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, <sup>18</sup>may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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

Alleluia and Verse LSB 173



Holy Gospel Mark 6:45–56

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>45</sup>Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. <sup>46</sup>And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>47</sup>And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. <sup>48</sup>And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, <sup>49</sup>but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, <sup>50</sup> for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." <sup>51</sup>And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, <sup>52</sup> for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. 53When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. <sup>54</sup>And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him <sup>55</sup> and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

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



Sermon

"Jesus Walks on Water"

**Pastor Scott Henze** 

## **Apostles' Creed**

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

## **Offertory Prayer**

P 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



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san-na to the Lord;



Tru - ly Blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

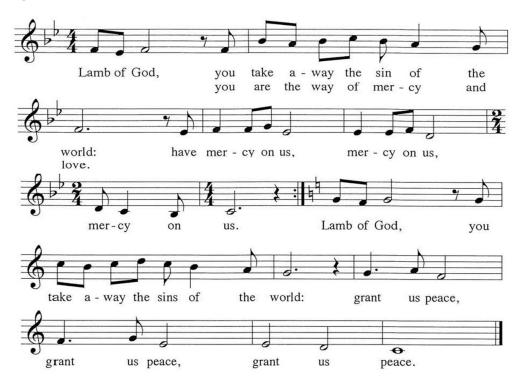
## **Words of Institution**

## The Peace of the Lord

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

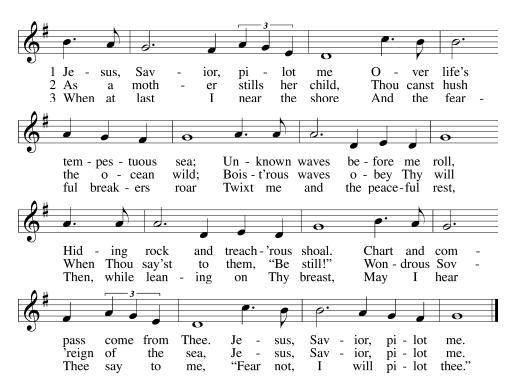
(The congregation and minister may greet each other with the peace of the Lord)

# **Agnus Dei**





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## **Closing of the Table**



## **Post-communion canticle**

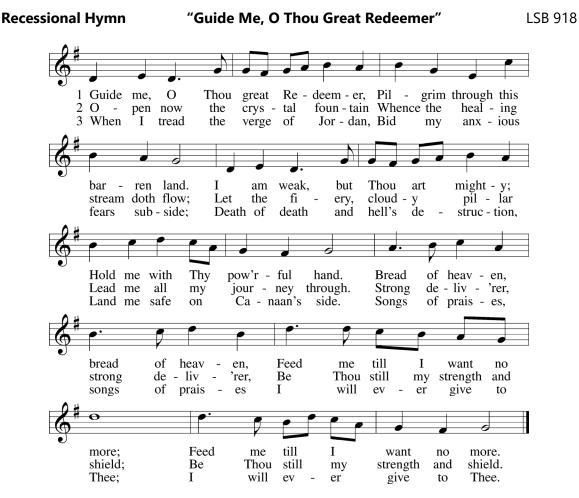


## **Post-Communion Prayer**

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**

#### **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!

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

July 23- August 4, 2024, Spoke Folk Minnesota Tour

August 3, 2024, Church Workday

August 7, 2024, High School Spirit Night at 7:30 p.m.

August 11, 2024, Spoke Folk Sunday and Blessing of the Backpacks.

August 14, 2024, First day of Preschool

August 18, 2024, First day of Sunday School for children and youth.

### **Habitat For Children Ministries**

It's that time of year again! Habitat For Children Ministries is collecting backpacks and other school supplies needed for our once-a-year Back to School program in LaJeune, Haiti. Thank you for your generous donations!



Saturday, August 3 from 9:00 am-12:00 pm





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