

## † PREPARATION †

**HYMN**      *“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table” LSB #618*

*Stand*

### INVOCATION

**Pastor:**      In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:**      **Amen.**

*Kneel*

**OPENING SENTENCES**      *Psalm 32:1, 5*

**Pastor:**      Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**People:**      **I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity;**

**Pastor:**      I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

**People:**      **Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.**

*Pause for reflection*

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**Pastor:**      Let us confess our transgressions and sins to the Lord, our God, in the presence of one another.

**People:**      **When we look into the mirror of Your perfect law, we are reminded that we are no better than our ancestors. We rebel against You like the Israelites on the way to the Promised Land. We are like King David, committing sins we think no one will know about. You know us. You know our transgressions and sins against You and one another. We humbly come to You seeking forgiveness. Sprinkle our hearts and make them clean. Forgive our sins by the blood of Jesus that was given and shed for us. Renew a right spirit within us for Jesus’ sake.**

Pastor: Blessed people of God, you have confessed your transgressions to the Lord. He forgives your iniquity and will remember your sin no more. 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 † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

*Stand*

### † WORD †

**INTROIT** *Psalms 116:1–4; antiphon: v. 5*

Pastor: Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

**People: I love the Lord, because He has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.**

Pastor: Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.

**People: The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;**

Pastor: I suffered distress and anguish. Then I called on the name of the Lord:

**People: “O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!”**

Pastor: Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

### KYRIE

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our hearts and with all our minds, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the Holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy. Amen.**

### **SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray.

O Lord, on this night You poured out the new covenant in Your blood. Grant that we may so receive the mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

*Sit*

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**      *Jeremiah 31:31–34*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM**      *Psalms 116:12–19; antiphon: v. 17*

Pastor: I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.

**People: What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people.**

Pastor: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. O Lord, I am Your servant; I am Your servant, the son of Your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.

**People:** **I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!**

Pastor: I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.

**EPISTLE**     *Hebrews 10:15–25*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**Stand**

**GRADUAL**     *Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a*

Pastor: Christ entered once for all into the holy places, by means of His own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.

**People:** **Therefore He is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.**

Pastor: He sent redemption to His people;

**People:** **He has commanded His covenant forever.**

**HOLY GOSPEL**     *Luke 22:7–20*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-second chapter.

**People:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

*(The Gospel is read.)*

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**CREED**      *Nicene Creed*

**People:**      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 sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will 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.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” LSB #575*

**SERMON**

**MEDITATION**

***Stand***

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, on this night we remember how You rescued Your people from slavery in Egypt and brought them to the Promised Land. We are reminded of how You have rescued us from slavery to sin and are bringing us to Your heavenly kingdom. Nourish our faith and lead us to walk in Your ways. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You made covenants with Your people throughout the centuries. Yet, in these last days, You have made a new covenant with us through Your Son. Make this covenant known among us and all peoples of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord Jesus, You humbled Yourself and took on the role of a servant when You washed Your disciples' feet. You commanded them to love one another just as You loved them. Lead us to love others as You have first loved us. Stir us up to love and good works. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Holy Lord, as we come to Your Table, forgive our sins through Your body and blood and wrap us in the robe of Your righteousness that covers all our sins. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves, our bodies and souls, and all things; redeem us, O Lord, faithful God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

**OFFERTORY** (*p. 192 in hymnal*)

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
And renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence,  
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,  
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

**† SACRAMENT †**

**PREFACE** *2 Timothy 4:22*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**



**PROPER PREFACE**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, our God, King of the universe, for You made a covenant with Your people, Israel, when You rescued them from Egypt. In these last days, You sent Your Son to be the mediator of a new covenant,

sealing it with His precious blood, which is given and shed for us for the forgiveness of our sins. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## **SANCTUS**

**Holy, Holy, Holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was, and is, and is to come  
With all creation I sing:  
Praise to the King of Kings!  
You are my everything,  
And I will adore You! Yeah!**

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## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Pastor:** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of creation, for You made a new covenant with Your people in these last days wherein You promise to remember our sins and lawless deeds no more because of the blood of Jesus, our great priest.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us the ability to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

**People:** **Amen.**

## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20;  
1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

**Pastor:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "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, and when He had given thanks, He 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 for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**      *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

**Pastor:**      As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**People:**      **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**Pastor:**      O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**LORD’S PRAYER**      *Matthew 6:9–13*

**People:**      ***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.***

**PAX DOMINI**

**Pastor:**      *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**People:**      **Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI**    *“The Lamb” LSB #547, verse 2*

***The Lamb, The Lamb  
One perfect Final Offering  
The Lamb, The Lamb  
Let earth join heaven, his praise to sing  
Worthy is the Lamb  
Whose death makes me his own  
The Lamb is reigning on his throne***

*Sit*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**    *(Lyrics printed so you may sing while coming forward.)*

*“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord” LSB #637*

***Draw near and take the body of the Lord,  
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;  
Offered was He for greatest and for least,  
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.***

***He who His saints in this world rules and shields,  
To all believers life eternal yields;  
With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole,  
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.***

***Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,  
And take the pledges of salvation here.  
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow  
As in this feast of love You bless us now.***

*Stand*

**POST-COMMUNION SONG**    *“Jesus, Thank You” Pat Sczebel*

***The mystery of the cross I cannot comprehend  
The agonies of Calvary***

***You the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son  
Drank the bitter cup reserved for me***

***Your blood has washed away my sin  
Jesus, thank You  
The Father's wrath completely satisfied  
Jesus, thank You  
Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table  
Jesus, thank You***

***By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near  
Your enemy You've made Your friend  
Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace  
Your mercy and Your kindness know no end***

***Your blood has washed away my sin  
Jesus, thank You  
The Father's wrath completely satisfied  
Jesus, thank You  
Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table  
Jesus, thank You***

***Lover of my soul I want to live for You  
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Lover of my soul I want to live for You  
Lover of my soul I want to live for You***

***Your blood has washed away my sin  
Jesus, thank You  
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***POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING***

**Pastor:** *Let us pray.*  
*We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this  
salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us  
through the same 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 God, now and forever.*

**People:** *Amen.*



**STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR**

**Pastor:** After the Last Supper, less than twenty-four hours remained in the earthly life of our Lord. Events moved rapidly: prayer in Gethsemane; betrayal by Judas; arrest, mock trial, painful beating; the trudge to Golgotha and execution.

Jesus' offered body and His shed blood have been given to us in, with, and under the bread and wine in the sacred mystery that is the Sacrament. As He was removed from us in the grave, so we remove the elements and vessels of this Sacrament.

*Communion vessels are removed.*

**Pastor:** The cross is where Jesus took on our punishment to be able to give us the gift of heaven. When John the Baptist saw Jesus, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29). As this statement was fulfilled on the cross, the cross is removed from the altar area.

*The cross is removed.*

Pastor: The missal stand holds our worship books that guide our worship life together as we sing praises to God. As Jesus suffers, joyous songs are not heard. As sounds of joy are removed from our lips, we remove the missal stand and its book.

*The missal stand and altar book are removed.*

Pastor: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12). The events at Golgotha snuffed out the human life of Jesus, the light of the world. As creation was dark while He suffered, so we extinguish our candles and remove them.

*All candles are extinguished and removed.*

Pastor: The altar is the place where our Lord Jesus serves us as both host and Meal at His banquet feast. The coverings and paraments are made of fine linen and brocade, materials appropriate for feasting with our King. As our King's body was stripped in crucifixion, so our altar is stripped of its coverings.

*The altar cloths and paraments are removed.*

*Psalm 143 is chanted by the Pastor*

*All may exit silently.*

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