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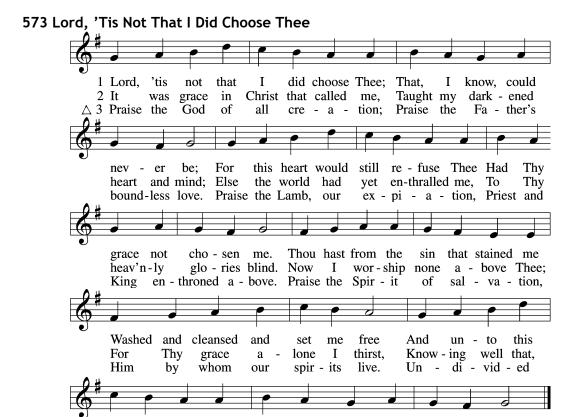
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Divine Service, Setting Three

As We Gather

In the Epistle for the day, St. Paul speaks his famous words about love, a love that suffers long and is kind, that does not seek its own; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. This Love is personified in the Gospel, which gives us the first Passion prediction that takes place on a Sunday. The long-suffering love of God will bring the Son of Man to Jerusalem, where He will be mocked and insulted and spit upon, and finally be killed and rise again on the third day. Our eyes are now firmly fixed on Jerusalem, and we are ready to follow after our Lord and His apostles as we begin in earnest the great journey to the Paschal feast.



Confession and Absolution

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

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P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

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- 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.

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- **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,
- 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.
- P 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
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 31:1, 5, 9, 16; antiphon: vv. 2b-3

- Be a rock of ref- | uge for me,* a strong fortress to | save me!
 For you are my rock and my | fortress;* and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.
- In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to shame;* in your righteousness de- | liver me!
- Into your hand I commit my | spirit;* you have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.
- Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am | in distress;* my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body | also.
- Make your face shine on your | servant;* save me in your | steadfast love!
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

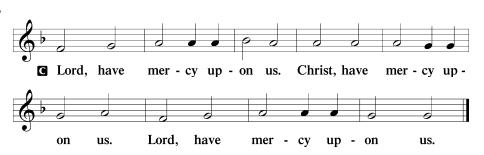
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P Be a rock of ref- | uge for me,* a strong fortress to | save me!

For you are my rock and my | fortress;*

and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.

Kyrie



LSB 186

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully hear our prayers and having set us free from the bonds of our sins deliver us from every evil; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 16:1–13

R The Old Testament Reading is from 1 Samuel, chapter 16.

¹The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." ²And Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' ³And invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do. And you shall anoint for me him whom I declare to you." ⁴Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, "Do you come peaceably?" ⁵And he said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice." And he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is before him." ⁷But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." ⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ¹⁰And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen these." ¹¹Then Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here." ¹²And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the LORD said, "Arise, anoint him, for this is he." ¹³Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

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

Epistle 1 Corinthians 13:1–13

R The Epistle is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 13.

¹If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I

became a man, I gave up childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

¹³So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

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

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Holy Gospel

Luke 18:31–43

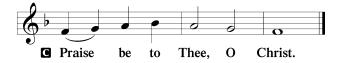
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.



Taking the twelve, [Jesus] said to them, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. ³²For he will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon. ³³And after flogging him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise." ³⁴But they understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

³⁵As he drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. ³⁶And hearing a crowd going by, he inquired what this meant. ³⁷They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." ³⁸And he cried out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ³⁹And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁰And Jesus stopped and commanded him to be brought to him. And when he came near, he asked him, ⁴¹"What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me recover my sight." ⁴²And Jesus said to him, "Recover your sight; your faith has made you well." ⁴³And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

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,

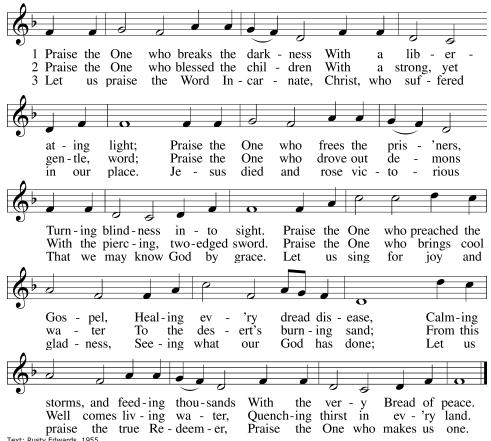
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

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849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



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Sermon

Sola Fide - Faith Alone

Offering

979 God, Whose Almighty Word sts. 1–3



Prayer of the Church

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the illumination of the Church, that our gracious Father would heal our spiritual blindness to see the salvation prepared for us through His Son, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For the Church and her ministers, that pastors may bear gladly the crosses of their office; and that Christians may follow their example in bearing the reproach of the world, the attacks of Satan and the temptations of the flesh in the confidence of Christ's redemption, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the family and all godly Christian homes, that God would give parents diligence and persistence in their duties to teach the faith in word and example; that He would keep all children in His promise made to them in their Baptism; and that the patience, kindness and endurance of Christian love would have no end among us, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For those in authority over us, that they would govern well and keep good order among us for the benefit of all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all who commune today, that our gracious Father would enable them by His Spirit to receive Christ's true body and blood faithfully; and that He would fill them with everlasting joy and the peace of forgiveness, so that they would be strengthened to follow Him, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

- Lord God, heavenly Father, what You foretold through the holy prophets has been fulfilled and accomplished in the suffering, death and resurrection of Your Son. You have set forth His Passion and resurrection as the firm foundation and content for our faith. Have mercy on us, and fix our eyes on the Son of David at all times. Give us courage to follow Him through all adversity and every assault of the devil and to view His Passion with repentant hearts and delight, for by it You have redeemed us from all sin and evil. Comfort us with the certainty of Christ's resurrection, by which we have the confidence of eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Welcome to our Visitors

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; and 1 Corinthians 11:17–34.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194

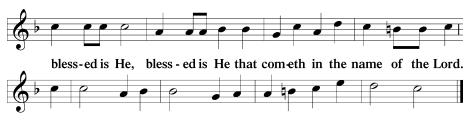
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

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- **C** It is meet and right so to do.
- It is truly meet, 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; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Bless-ed is He,



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer LSB 196

P 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.

C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord LSB 197

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."

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Pax Domini LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



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861 Christ Be My Leader

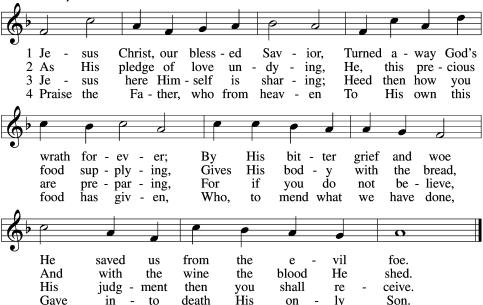


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627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior



- Firmly hold with faith unshaken That this food is to be taken By the sick who are distressed, By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- Agony and bitter labor Were the cost of God's high favor; Do not come if you suppose You need not Him who died and rose.
- Christ says: "Come, all you that labor, And receive My grace and favor: Those who feel no pain or ill Need no physician's help or skill.

- 8 "For what purpose was My dying If not for your justifying? And what use this precious food If you yourself were pure and good?"
- If your heart this truth professes And your mouth your sin confesses, You will be your Savior's guest, Be at His banquet truly blest.
- 10 Let this food your faith so nourish That its fruit of love may flourish And your neighbor learn from you How much God's wondrous love can do.

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Nunc Dimittis LSB 199



Thanksgiving LSB 200

- P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endureth forever.
- P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C Amen.
- P The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus LSB 202

- **P** Bless we the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction LSB 202

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 - The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
- C Amen.

545 Word of God, Come Down on Earth



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Announcements

Adult Sunday School is studying Exodus at 9am on Sunday mornings.

The **Flowers** that beautify our altar this morning are given to God's glory.

The Ladies Bible Study meets Wednesdays at 10am. They are studying the book of Joshua.

Church Council next meeting is Mar 12 at 8am.

Ash Wednesday is **Feb 22**. Service with the imposition of ashes will be at **6pm**.

Lenten Vespers services begin **Mar 1**. A light meal will be at **6:30pm** with service at **7pm**.

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