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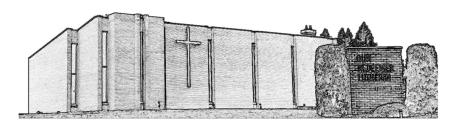
## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Sunday, 14 January A+D 2024 • 9:00 A.M. Wednesday, 17 January A+D 2024 · 7:00 P.M.

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#### WELCOME TO OUR REDEEMER

WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU WITH US TODAY AS WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S GIFTS OF FORGIVENESS, LIFE, AND SALVATION. If you are with us for the first time, please take a moment to introduce yourself to our pastor. Should you be looking for a church home, please indicate so when you sign the Record of Fellowship tablet. We would love to take the opportunity to tell you more about our congregation and what it means to be a part of the people of God here in the Twin Cities area.

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION: In the Sacrament of the Altar, our Lord Jesus Christ gives us His very Body and Blood to eat and drink. Receiving the Sacrament is not merely a matter between God and the person, but a "communion," something done in "community." It is a public confession of our faith and expression of the unity that exists between Christians. Because of these reasons, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church practices closed communion. We invite those who are members



practices closed communion. We invite those who are members in good standing of LCMS congregations to join us at the altar today. All those communing for the first time should speak with the pastor before doing so.

**PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR:** Christ offers His very body and blood, with the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come before the holy altar of God to receive this body and blood do so having prepared to receive this holy gift.

- 1. Have you confessed your sins before God in heaven? (See the Ten Commandments, *LSB* page 321.)
- 2. Are you able to come forward in a spirit of unity with those communing with you? (See 1 Corinthians 1:10; 11:18-19.)
- 3. Do you share the confession of faith proclaimed in this congregation and church body? (See Acts 2:42, 1 Corinthians 11:26.)
- 4. Do you believe that this bread and wine is truly the body and blood of Christ? (See *LSB*, page 326, "What is the Sacrament of the Altar?")
- 5. Do you believe that this body and blood are given for your forgiveness, life, and salvation? (See *LSB* page 327, "What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?")

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THANK YOU TO REV. STEVE HAAG**, emeritus pastor from Crivitz, for serving as our guest preacher this morning while Pastor Ruesch is out of town. We pray God's blessings on Pastor Haag's delivery of God's gifts to us this morning!

**THERE IS NO EDUCATION HOUR THIS MORNING.** We will resume our full education program next Sunday, 1/21, at 10:30 A.M.

**BIG GAME SUBS** - The Youth Group will be selling subs for the Super Bowl on Sunday, 2/11. We will be offering sub samples and taking orders Sunday 1/28 and 2/4. The cost is \$20 per sub, large enough to feed 4 people. Attention Youth! We be making the subs Saturday 2/10 at church at 10:00 A.M. Thank you for your support in Youth Ministry!

**OUR QUARTERLY VOTERS MEETING** will be on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 A.M. All voting members (communicant members at least 16 years old) are urged to attend.

**THE LUTHERAN WITNESS** is available this year. Please let the office know by March 1<sup>st</sup> and we will order it for you. The annual total is \$25.80.

**2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are now in your mailbox. If you did not receive envelopes and would like them or do not have a mailbox and would like one, please contact Claire in the church office at (906) 774-1844 or at <a href="mailto:secretary@ourredeemerkingsford.org">secretary@ourredeemerkingsford.org</a>.

**2023 STATEMENTS** have been put in your mailbox.

**BOTTLES/CANS:** The Youth Group wants your bottles and cans! You may drop off your bottles/cans at the church entrance bottle bin.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR—The Baptism of Our Lord: Life issues like surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis come with uncertainty. But the Lord our God knows both our worries (Psalm 139:4) and the best way forward. He has already seen (John 1:48) what it will take to save, and He has still chosen life for all humankind, even when we behold only darkness and despair. We may not know what tomorrow holds, but we know who holds tomorrow.

### SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

|                      | MUSIC           | <u>ELDERS</u>        | <b>ALTAR GUILD</b> |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Week of 1/14         |                 |                      |                    |
| Sunday, 9:00 A.M.    | Bruce Rasmussen | Rob Kuehl & Jim Reed | Cindy Koller       |
| Wednesday, 7:00 P.M. | Digital Music   | Jim Sleik            | Cindy Koller       |
| Week of 1/21         |                 |                      |                    |
| Sunday, 9:00 A.M.    | Bruce Rasmussen | Jim Reed & Jim Sleik | Lisa Swanson       |
| Wednesday, 7:00 P.M. | Digital Music   | Bradley Linsmeyer    | Lisa Swanson       |

### THIS WEEK AT OUR REDEEMER

| DATE           | TIME                    | <u>EVENT</u>                        |
|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sunday (14)    | 9:00 A.M.               | Divine Service                      |
| Monday (15)    |                         |                                     |
| Tuesday (16)   | 6:30 P.M.               |                                     |
| Wednesday (17) | 5:30 P.M.<br>7:00 P.M.  | Catechism Vespers<br>Divine Service |
| Thursday (18)  | 10:00 A.M.              | Bible Study                         |
| Friday (19)    |                         | Pastor's Day Off                    |
| Saturday (20)  |                         |                                     |
| Sunday (21)    | 9:00 A.M.<br>10:30 A.M. | Divine Service<br>Education Hour    |

# GIVING REPORT & BUDGET UPDATE

| WEEKLY OFFERINGS        |            | YEAR-TO-DATE            |            |
|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Last Week Offering:     | \$2,157.00 | Year-to-Date Offerings: | \$2,157.00 |
| Other Income and Gifts: | \$397.30   | Other Income and Gifts: | \$397.30   |
| Total Income This Week: | \$2,554.30 | Total Income This Year: | \$2,554.30 |
| Needed for Budget:      | \$3,282.05 | Needed for Budget:      | \$3,282.05 |
| Difference:             | -\$727.75  | Difference:             | -\$727.75  |

# ATTENDANCE REPORT

| <u>SERVICE</u>             | <u>ATTENDANCE</u> | COMMUNION |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Sunday, 1/7, 9:00 A.M.     | 66                | 52        |
| Wednesday, 1/10, 7:00 P.M. | 8                 | 8         |
| Total                      | 74                | 60        |

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# Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service, Setting Three, pg. 184

# Confession and Absolution

## **HYMN OF INVOCATION**

"Come, Join in Cana's Feast" LSB 408

- Come, join in Cana's feast
   Where Christ is honored guest.
   He welcomes all who come to taste
   The wine His hands have blessed.
- The old wine now is goneFrom jars that stand apart.No longer can it satisfyThe yearning, thirsting heart.
- But Christ, the Word made flesh,Bids water turn to wine.He fills our empty cups againWith grace and truth divine.
- 4 Come, friends, and share the feast;
  Here drink the wine supplied
  By Him who is both guest and host—
  For us, the crucified.

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Stand

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 

  → 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,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

- P Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
- Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

# Service of the Word

#### **INTROIT**

Psalm 66:1-5, 20; antiphon: v. 4; 92:1

- P All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;
- **C** they sing praises to your name.
- **P** It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
- **C** to sing praises to your name, O Most High.
- **P** Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
- sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!
- P Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
- **C** So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.
- P All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;
- **C** they sing praises to your name."
- **P** Come and see what God has done:
- **C** he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.
- **P** Blessèd be God,
- because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
- P All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;
- **C** they sing praises to your name.
- **P** It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
- c to sing praises to your name, O Most High.

KYRIE LSB 186

C> Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

# **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

LSB 187

- **P** Glory be to God on high:
- **C** → and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; 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 3:1–10

**P** The Old Testament Reading is from 1 Samuel, chapter 3.

<sup>1</sup>The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

<sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. <sup>3</sup>The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

<sup>6</sup>And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

<sup>8</sup>And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup>And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears."

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

GRADUAL Psalm 107:20–21

- **P** He sent out his word and healed them,
- **C** and delivered them from their destruction.
- **P** Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
- **C** for his wondrous works to the children of men!

**EPISTLE** 1 Corinthians 6:12–20

**P** The Epistle is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 6.

<sup>12</sup>"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. <sup>13</sup>"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup>And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." <sup>17</sup>But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup>Flee from sexual

immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, <sup>20</sup>for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

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

Stand

#### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

LSB 190; Psalm 148:2

- **C** ▶ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.
- P Alleluia. Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! Alleluia.
- C ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL John 1:43–51

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

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup>Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

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

### **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.

Sit

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" LSB 394

- I Songs of thankfulness and praise,
  Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
  Manifested by the star
  To the sages from afar,
  Branch of royal David's stem
  In Thy birth at Bethlehem:
  Anthems be to Thee addressed,
  God in man made manifest.
- 2 Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;

And at Cana wedding guest
In Thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in pow'r divine,
Changing water into wine;
Anthems be to Thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.

- Manifest in making whole
  Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
  Manifest in valiant fight,
  Quelling all the devil's might;
  Manifest in gracious will,
  Ever bringing good from ill;
  Anthems be to Thee addressed,
  God in man made manifest.
- Sun and moon shall darkened be,
  Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
  Christ will then like lightning shine,
  All will see His glorious sign;
  All will then the trumpet hear,
  All will see the Judge appear;
  Thou by all wilt be confessed,
  God in man made manifest.
- Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord,
  Present in Thy holy Word—
  Grace to imitate Thee now
  And be pure, as pure art Thou;
  That we might become like Thee
  At Thy great epiphany
  And may praise Thee, ever blest,
  God in man made manifest.

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**SERMON** 

Guest Preacher: Rev. Steven Haag

OFFERTORY LSB 192

C> 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.

Sit

### **OFFERING**

Stand

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

# 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.
- **C** ▶ It is meet and right so to do.
- P 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:

SANCTUS LSB 195

**C** ▶ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;

heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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.

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."

PAX DOMINI LSB 197

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** ▶ Amen.

AGNUS DEI LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

#### DISTRIBUTION

# **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

"O Living Bread from Heaven" LSB 642

- O living Bread from heaven,
  How well You feed your guest!
  The gifts that You have given
  Have filled my heart with rest.
  Oh, wondrous food of blessing,
  Oh, cup that heals our woes!
  My heart, this gift possessing,
  With praises overflows.
- 2 My Lord, You here have led me
  To this most holy place
  And with Yourself have fed me
  The treasures of Your grace;
  For You have freely given
  What earth could never buy,
  The bread of life from heaven,
  That now I shall not die.
- You gave me all I wanted;
  This food can death destroy.
  And You have freely granted
  The cup of endless joy.
  My Lord, I do not merit

The favor You have shown, And all my soul and spirit Bow down before Your throne.

Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened
With heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened,
To serve with holy fear.
And when You call my spirit
To leave this world below,
I enter, through Your merit,
Where joys unmingled flow.

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#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

"As with Gladness Men of Old" LSB 397

- 1 As with gladness men of old
  Did the guiding star behold;
  As with joy they hailed its light,
  Leading onward, beaming bright;
  So, most gracious Lord, may we
  Evermore be led by Thee.
- 2 As with joyful steps they sped,
  Savior, to Thy lowly bed,
  There to bend the knee before
  Thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;
  So may we with willing feet
  Ever seek Thy mercy seat.
- As they offered gifts most rare
  At Thy cradle, rude and bare,
  So may we with holy joy,
  Pure and free from sin's alloy,
  All our costliest treasures bring,
  Christ, to Thee, our heav'nly King.

- 4 Holy Jesus, ev'ry day
  Keep us in the narrow way;
  And when earthly things are past,
  Bring our ransomed souls at last
  Where they need no star to guide,
  Where no clouds Thy glory hide.
- In the heav'nly country bright
  Need they no created light;
  Thou its light, its joy, its crown,
  Thou its sun which goes not down;
  There forever may we sing
  Alleluias to our King.

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# **DISTRIBUTION HYMN** "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.

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### Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,

for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THANKSGIVING LSB 200

- P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- **C** > 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.
- **C** ▶ And with thy spirit.

BENEDICAMUS LSB 202

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

BENEDICTION LSB 202

- The Lord bless you and keep you.

  The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

  The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.
- **C** → Amen, amen, amen.

# **HYMN TO DEPART**

1 Alleluia! Let praises ring!

To God the Father let us bring

Our songs of adoration.

To Him through everlasting days

Be worship, honor, pow'r, and praise,

Whose hand sustains creation.

Singing, ringing:

Holy, holy,

God is holy;

Spread the story

Of our God, the Lord of glory.

2 Alleluia! Let praises ring!

Unto the Lamb of God we sing,

In whom we are elected.

He bought His Church with His own blood,

He cleansed her in that blessèd flood,

And as His bride selected.

Holy, holy

Is our union

And communion.

His befriending

Gives us joy and peace unending.

3 Alleluia! Let praises ring!

Unto the Holy Ghost we sing

For our regeneration.

The saving faith in us He wrought

And us unto the Bridegroom brought,

Made us His chosen nation.

Glory! Glory!

Joy eternal,

Bliss supernal;

There is manna

And an endless, glad hosanna.

4 Alleluia! Let praises ring!
Unto our triune God we sing;
Blest be His name forever!
With angel hosts let us adore
And sing His praises evermore
For all His grace and favor!
Singing, ringing:
Holy, holy,
God is holy;
Spread the story
Of our God, the Lord of glory!

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