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+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN

"O Bride of Christ, Rejoice" LSB 335

- 1 O bride of Christ, rejoice;
Exultant raise thy voice
To hail the day of glory
Foretold in sacred story. Refrain

- ref Hosanna, praise, and glory!
Our King, we bow before Thee.

- 2 Let shouts of gladness rise
Triumphant to the skies.
Now comes the King most glorious
To reign o'er all victorious. Refrain

- 3 A humble beast He rides,
Yet as a King presides;
Though not arrayed in splendor,
He makes the grave surrender. Refrain

- 4 The weak and timid find
How meek He is and kind;
To them He gives a treasure
Of bliss beyond all measure. Refrain

- 5 Then go thy Lord to meet;
Strew palm leaves at His feet;

Thy garments spread before Him
And honor and adore Him. Refrain

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Stand

OPENING VERSICLES

- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L** Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.
C Our God shall come; He does not keep silence.
- L** Prepare the way of the Lord.
C Make His paths straight.
- L** Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down
righteousness.
C Let the earth open, that salvation may sprout forth.
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT CANTICLE

LSB 261

- C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has
become my salvation.

**With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.
And you will say in that day:
“Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,
make known His deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that His name is exalted.”**

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

**Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.
Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in
your midst is the Holy One of Israel.**

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Sit

PSALM

Psalm 24; antiphon: v. 7

P Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
C **that the King of glory may come in.**

P The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,
C **the world and those who dwell therein,**
P for he has founded it upon the seas
C **and established it upon the rivers.**

P Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?
C **And who shall stand in his holy place?**
P He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
C **who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.**

P He will receive blessing from the LORD
C **and righteousness from the God of his salvation.**

P Such is the generation of those who seek him,
C **who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**

P Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
C **that the King of glory may come in.**

P Who is this King of glory?
C **The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!**

P Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
C **that the King of glory may come in.**

P Who is this King of glory?
C **The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
C **that the King of glory may come in.**

READING

Romans 13:8–14

P A reading from Romans, chapter 13.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY

L Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.

C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

L In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely.

C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

Stand

TEN COMMANDMENTS

C You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant
or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to
your neighbor.**

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.**

LORD'S PRAYER

**☩ 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.**

RESPONSIVE READING FROM THE SMALL CATECHISM

P The First Article:

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

P What does this mean?

C I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

Sit

SERMON

"Come...in Glory!" Psalm 24

HYMN

LSB 442

- ref All glory, laud, and honor
 To You, Redeemer, King,
 To whom the lips of children
 Made sweet hosannas ring.
- 1 You are the King of Israel
 And David's royal Son,
 Now in the Lord's name coming,
 Our King and Blessèd One. Refrain
- 2 The company of angels
 Is praising You on high,
 And we with all creation
 In chorus make reply. Refrain
- 3 The multitude of pilgrims
 With palms before You went;
 Our praise and prayer and anthems
 Before You we present. Refrain
- 4 To You before Your passion
 They sang their hymns of praise;
 To You, now high exalted,
 Our melody we raise. Refrain
- 5 As You received their praises,
 Accept the prayers we bring,
 O Source of ev'ry blessing,
 Our good and gracious King. Refrain

OFFERING

Stand

PRAYER

- L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** 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:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

- L** Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR THE WORD

- L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

- C** **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that you would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE *"Sing Praise to the God of Israel" LSB 936*

- 1 Sing praise to the God of Israel!
Sing praise for His visitation!
Redeeming His people from their sin,

Accomplishing their salvation,
Upraising a mighty horn within
The house of His servant David!

2 God spoke by the prophets long ago,
His promise on oath recalling—
To Abraham made in former years:
Of vanquishing foes appalling,
That those He delivered from their fears
Might gladly and truly serve Him.

3 You, child, will go on before the Lord
As prophet, His way preparing;
To speak on behalf of God Most High,
His counsel of truth declaring:
Rich mercy and grace for all whereby
Iniquity is forgiven.

4 O bright, rising Sun, now shine on us
In need of illumination;
Come scatter the shades of sin and death
And shatter their domination.
Be guiding our footsteps on the path
Of peace, in Your presence dawning!

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BLESSING

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C **Amen.**

HYMN

“Now the Light Has Gone Away” LSB 887

- 1 Now the light has gone away;
Father, listen while I pray,
Asking Thee to watch and keep
And to send me quiet sleep.
- 2 Jesus, Savior, wash away
All that has been wrong today;
Help me ev’ry day to be
Good and gentle, more like Thee.
- 3 Let my near and dear ones be
Always near and dear to Thee;
O bring me and all I love
To Thy happy home above.
- 4 Now my evening praise I give;
Thou didst die that I might live.
All my blessings come from Thee;
Oh, how good Thou art to me!
- 5 Thou, my best and kindest Friend,
Thou wilt love me to the end.
Let me love Thee more and more,
Always better than before.

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